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I have been surprised to learn that the Certified Professional Guardian Board no longer follows the open meetings requirements applicable to government meetings. The work of the Board affects the lives and wellbeing of vulnerable people in the State of Washington.

As the first Chair of the Board and throughout my years of involvement, we strictly adhered to the Open Public Meetings Act under the guidance of Linda Moran, the AAG assigned to the Board. Thus, only litigation or enforcement actions before the Board were the subject of executive sessions. That procedure has apparently been abandoned.

I encourage the Supreme Court to adopt the changes endorsed by the SCJA Civil Rules and Law Committee, thus allowing the public to observe the Board's work.

Thank you for your consideration.

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