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Supreme Court of Florida 500 South Duval Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1927

> Re: Petition to Amend Rules 2-11.1 and 4-13.2 of the Rules of the Supreme Court Relating to Admissions to the Bar Petitioners: The Orange County Bar Association & Thomas B. Drage, Jr., Esquire Case No.: SC02-2354

Dear Your Honors:

My name is Chris Alan Draper and I have been a member of the Florida Bar since 1990, under Florida Bar Number 0838640. I currently employ a Barry Law School graduate who is a member of the unfortunate class of students that is being denied the right to practice law.

I assure you, my Barry graduate employee posses the same skills and knowledge of the law that other first or second year associate attorneys in my Firm posses or strive for. It is unjust that this individual is not allowed the opportunity to receive his license. I understand that the intent behind the rules relating to admission to the Florida Bar are in place to ensure that only the most qualified individuals become lawyers. However, the rule that is preventing these Barry Law School graduates from becoming lawyers has nothing to do with qualifications of <u>individuals</u> and has everything to do with the entire political accreditation process.

I respectfully submit that the time has come for this Honorable Court to adopt a new rules change which will allow the graduates of Barry the opportunity to practice law.

Sincerely,

Chris Alan Draper

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For the Firm

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by U.S. Mail to attorney for petitioners, Mathew D. Staver, Esquire, 210 Palmetto Avenue, Longwood, Florida, 32750, this _____,2003.

Chris Alan Draper, Esquire