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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:

The purpose of this letter is to provide comment on the above-referenced matter. I am a six-year member of the Florida Bar, license number 0108758.

While I do not pretend to be an expert when it comes to requirements for accreditation of law schools, the current 12-month rule makes no sense. It seems very unfair that an individual be asked to complete all obstacles to becoming a lawyer and then be denied due to no fault of their own. As a matter of fact as I understand it, the over 100 students at Barry that fall outside of the window completed law school on time, yet other students that started at the same time manipulated the length of law school, skirted the system and are now being rewarded with law licenses. The fact is, this 12-month rule is ridiculous. If a student graduates law school, passes the bar exam and is of decent moral character and chaste, there is absolutely no reason whatsoever why they should not be given a license to practice law in this state. Enough is enough already.

Respectfully,

Rich Adams, Esquire

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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 ____ day of _____, 2003.

Rich Adams, Esquire