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Thomas D. Hall, Clerk The Supreme Court of Florida 500 South Duval Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1925

Re: SUPPORT OF PROPOSED RULE 20, FLORIDA REGISTERED PARALEGAL

Dear Mr. Hall:

I am a paralegal employed by a law firm in Sarasota County, Florida. I am the past President of and the current Treasurer of the Suncoast Chapter of the Paralegal Association of Florida, Inc. For many years the paralegal profession has been seeking a standard for identity and clarity. I believe that proposed Rule 20, Florida Registered Paralegal, will establish this standard. I am in favor of and fully support Proposed Rule 20. This is a momentous occasion for paralegals in Florida, and I look forward to the opportunity to obtain the bar-sanctioned designation, Florida Registered Paralegal.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Debra Cristello, ACP, CFLA Certified Paralegal

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cc: John Harkness, Executive Director, The Florida Bar