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RE: Case No. SC06-1622, Petition for Rule 20 – Regulation for Paralegals

To the Honorable Judges of the Florida Supreme Court:

As a member of the Florida Bar, I wish to advise the Court that I am in favor of the above-referenced rule.

Regulation of paralegals by the Bar will solidify the high standards for which paralegals strive. Regulation will also deter individuals who lack the necessary education, knowledge, skill and professionalism from claiming qualification as a paralegal

I therefore urge you to approve the petition of The Florida Bar to amend the Rules Regulating the Florida Bar to add Chapter 20, the Florida Registered Paralegal Program.

Sincerely, Law Offices of John D. Spear, P.A.

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