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**RE: Petition for Rule 20 - Regulation for Paralegals**

Dear Sir or madam:

I am writing in order to offer my support for the Florida Bar regulation of paralegals. I have the privilege to work with several certified paralegals on a daily basis. Their high degree of professionalism and skill greatly enhances the quality of legal services that our firm is able to provide. Regulation of paralegals by the Bar will codify the high standards these paralegals have already established. Regulation of paralegals by the Bar will have the opposite, and equally beneficial, effect of deterring individuals who are lacking in knowledge, skill and professionalism from claiming qualification as a paralegal.

As the Bar continues to focus on professionalism, regulation of paralegals is a step in the right direction.

Very truly yours,

Jane F. Strike

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