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To: [RulesCommittee](#)
Subject: Illinois Should Not Adopt Proposed Rule 8.4(j)
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Dear Rules Committee Secretary,

I oppose adoption of Proposed Rule 8.4(j) because it threatens the First Amendment rights of Illinois attorneys. Existing Supreme Court Rules 8.4(d) and 8.4(j) already adequately address prejudicial conduct and discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, disability, age, sexual orientation or socioeconomic status. I respectfully request the Committee **reject** Proposed Rule 8.4(j).

Sincerely,
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