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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to advise you that I oppose adoption of Proposed Rule 8.4(j) because, after reading the proposed rule and reviewing different analyses of the rule made by authoritative figures in the field of constitutional law, I firmly believe it threatens Illinois attorneys' First Amendment rights. The proposed rule is vague and therefore subject to many abuses.

Existing Rule 8.4(d) and Rule 804(j) already adequately address harassment and discrimination in the legal profession as do common sense principles of civility. I urge the Committee to reject this Proposed Rule 8.4(j).

Thank you for seeking input.

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