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Via U.S. Mail:

Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court
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Re: AF 06-0628; Comment regarding the Proposed Amendments to the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement

Dear Chief Justice and Justices:

When considering the Proposed Amendments to the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, the undersigned respectfully requests the Court make clear that lawyers on disability/inactive status are subject to discipline under the Rules of Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement. I respectfully propose the following modification to the Proposed Amendment to Rule 7(A)(modification in bold):

A. Any lawyer admitted to practice law in the State of Montana who is a member of the State Bar of Montana, including a lawyer on disability/inactive status, is subject to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Montana, regardless of when or where the lawyer's conduct occurs and regardless of whether the lawyer is representing a client or appearing in a pro se capacity and any.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this proposal.

Kindest Personal Regards,
Beal Law Firm, PLLC


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