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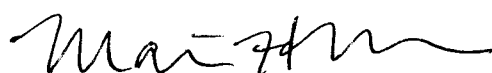
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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

Case Number: AF 09-0688

To the Montana Supreme Court Justices,

I write in support of proposed changes to rule 8.4 that would prohibit conduct that an attorney knows or reasonably should know is harassment or discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, national origin, ethnicity, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status or socioeconomic status in conduct related to the practice of law.

I think it is especially important in these current political times to explicitly say that everyone deserves to have legal representation and should not encounter bias or hostility when seeking legal counsel.



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