



Illinois Supreme Court Rules Committee

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Dear Mr. Northrup:

The Illinois State Bar Association's proposal to amend the Comments to Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct 1.5, 1.15, 1.18, 5.4, and 7.2, which has been docketed as Proposal 18-07, was referred pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 3(d)(1) to the Supreme Court Committee on Professional Responsibility for its review and recommendation.

The Committee on Professional Responsibility has recommended that Proposal 18-07 not be adopted, in light of the pending proposal from the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission ("ARDC") to regulate intermediary connecting services. It is the Committee's understanding that the ARDC's proposal is open for comment and that the Illinois Supreme Court has instructed the ARDC to collaborate and discuss that proposal with various stakeholders, including ISBA. In deference to that ongoing process, the Committee on Professional Responsibility has determined that it would be inappropriate to take further action on Proposal 18-07. Accordingly, Proposal 18-07 is now closed.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (312) 793-7275 or abowne@illinoiscourts.gov. On behalf of the Rules Committee, I thank you for your submission and your continued interest in the improvement of the Supreme Court Rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Amy Bowne".

Amy Bowne
Secretary to the Rules Committee

c: Tony Romanucci, Chair, Supreme Court Rules Committee