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Re: Comments to USPTO Supplemental Proposed Rules of Professional Conduct
by Los Angeles County Bar Association ("LACBA") Professional
Responsibility and Ethics Committee ("PREC")

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our earlier letter to you of June 11, 2004, in which we provided comments to the Proposed Rules. (The letter was sent from David Parker, then Chairman of LACBA PREC, via email to ethicsrules.comments@uspto.gov; an electronic copy is attached for your convenience.) We have reviewed the revised, Proposed Rules, and reaffirm our prior comments. The only additional comment we would make at this time is of a general nature: that overall, care should be taken to harmonize the Proposed Rules with the ABA Model Rules, and to eliminate, as much as possible, any conflict therewith.

On behalf of PREC, thank you again for the opportunity to comment. Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Louisa Lau
Chairwoman, Los Angeles County Bar Association
Professional Responsibility and Ethics Committee

cc: Charles E. Michaels, President
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