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Dear Attorney Del Ciampo:

I am writing in response to the December 3, 2019 referral from the Rules Committee for comments to the proposal to amend Sections 2-27, 2-27A, and 2-65 and to adopt new Section 2-27B regarding administrative suspension of attorneys who fail to register or comply with Connecticut's Minimum Continuing Legal Education. The Division of Public Defender Services has consistently been supportive of continuing legal education and is not opposed to these proposed amendments. Our agency will continue to provide free educational opportunities, including ethics programs, to all of our staff attorneys and contracted assigned counsel.

Thank you for the opportunity to be heard on this important matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine Perra Rapillo".

Christine Perra Rapillo  
Chief Public Defender