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Dear Mr. DelCiampo,

I wanted to write to express my opposition to adoption of Proposed Rule 8.4(7). I am in full agreement with, and endorse, the November 2, 2020 comment letter of the Christian Legal Society and believe the proposed rule threatens the First Amendment rights of Connecticut lawyers.

Existing Rule 8.4(4) and its Commentary already adequately address any issues of bias and prejudice that should result in discipline.

I respectfully request that the Rules Committee of the Superior Court reject Proposed Rule 8.4(7).

Thank you.

Best,

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