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Subject: Re: REMINDER: Your Comments are Requested on Rules Committee referral re: MCLE administrative suspension

Dear Mr. Del Ciampo,

Thank you for your email today. My personal belief is that an administrative suspension of an attorney's license for failing to comply with the CLE requirement is appropriate. I do, however, think that some due process should adhere before the suspension. A lawyer who is a target of the discipline should perhaps have an opportunity to explain their situation i.e., a medical condition or another extreme hardship. I can see an argument being made against my concern; namely, the lawyer should claim an exemption before discipline takes place. This makes sense to me as well. More thought should be given as to whether any due process should be afforded.

I hope I was of some assistance here.

Kind regards,

Patrick

Sent from my iPad

On Jan 2, 2020, at 4:08 PM, Del Ciampo, Joseph <Joseph.DelCiampo@jud.ct.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

As you know, the Rules Committee is considering the attached 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 requirements.

If you have not already done so, please provide the Committee with any comments that you wish to make regarding the proposal and submit them to me prior to the next meeting which is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2020, at 2 p.m. If your comments could be submitted by January 6th, that would be appreciated.

Thank you very much.

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Subject: Rules Committee referral re: MCLE administrative suspension

Good morning,

I am writing to you as Counsel to the Rules Committee of the Superior Court. The Rules Committee has received a proposal from the Statewide Grievance Committee and the Commission on Minimum Continuing Legal Education 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 requirements.

This proposal was taken up for discussion by the Rules Committee at its meeting on Monday, October 21, 2019. At that meeting, the Rules Committee decided to seek comments from the Connecticut Bar Association, other local bar associations, and organizations that were part of the MCLE Task Force. As such, a copy of the materials related to this proposal are attached to this e-mail for your review.

The Rules Committee may continue its discussion of this proposal at its next meeting, which is scheduled to be held on Monday, November 18, 2019. **Please provide your comments on this proposal no later than Monday, November 11, 2019** so that any comments may be distributed to and reviewed by the members of the committee in advance of this meeting.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

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