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The Honorable Members of the Supreme Court of the State of Wisconsin:

Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson  
Justice Jon P. Wilcox  
Justice Ann Walsh Bradley  
Justice N. Patrick Crooks  
Justice David T. Prosser Jr.  
Justice Patience Drake Roggensack  
Justice Louis B. Butler Jr.

Dear Justices:

Members of our firm have been practicing criminal law in southeastern Wisconsin, primarily in Kenosha County, for nearly thirty (30) years. We urge you to adopt the proposed amendments to the trust account rules which you will be reviewing on April 12, 2007. Our clients sign a written fee agreement clearly indicating the flat fee that we charge for representation as well as such additional fee as may be necessary if a trial is required. Our clients appreciate that clear understanding of the cost of representation. We have not had an unearned fee dispute in many years. That fee is earned when the client retains us to represent them. We immediately go to work for that client and attain the best possible result for that person. Our clients do not care where we put their retainer. They just want results.

Very truly yours,

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