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RE: The Commission for Lawyer Discipline v. Bob Bennett, in the District Court of Harris County, Texas 334th Judicial District, Cause no. 2013-56866

Dear Mr. Chairman Whittlesey,

I am a former law clerk for Mr. Bob Bennett and will soon be graduating from American Washington College of Law with a Juris Doctorate. I have known Mr. Bennett since April of 2012 when I began working with him as a law clerk. I worked with Mr. Bennett from 2012 until 2014, when I left Texas to transfer to American. I have remained in contact with him several times a month.

I am writing this letter to show my support and high regard for Mr. Bennett. I have read the appeal that was submitted by Mr. Bennett and which subsequently led to what I can only view as an injustice. Working with and for Mr. Bennett, I was in a unique position to observe his actions and his thought processes in making legal determinations. Mr. Bennett has exercised the utmost care in client cases in deciding how to advise, proceed, and communicate with clients. He has proceeded in a way that is honest, moral, ethical, and with zealous advocacy for his clients.

While working with Mr. Bennett, many referrals were made to him by other lawyers who also sought his advice and counsel. It is evident by the level of support the degree to which Mr. Bennett is respected among his colleagues and friends. Mr. Bennett has been influential and a source of help in shaping my legal career and analysis. I consider him a friend and mentor in addition to being a former employer. I respectfully request that this decision be reconsidered and that Mr. Bennett's license be reinstated without further delay.

Sincerely,

Amanda R. Bedford