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## Dear Sir/Madam:

The proposed rule amendment to R. 1:40-4(b) is not a good idea. It will cause mediators to lose interest in the program. Among other things, malpractice carriers do not favor insured attorneys filing fee lawsuits. When given a choice, the rational attorney will protect his or her malpractice coverage rather than stick with mediation.

Thank you, Edward Zohn

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