



SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

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Re: Directive to the ARDC on Proposal to Regulate Intermediary Connecting Services

Dear Jerry:

The Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission has presented to the Court a proposal to regulate intermediary connecting services and has recommended that we release the proposal for public comment.

Following due consideration, the Court hereby directs the ARDC to take the following actions related to its proposal:

1. Publish the proposal for comment and begin collaboration and discussion with the Illinois State Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Foundation and other appropriate parties;
2. For a period of 60 days after publication of the proposal, make the proposal available for public comment by interested parties, including, but not limited to, the Illinois State Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Foundation, and stakeholders, the public, and those services or organizations that would fall under the proposal's definition of "intermediary connecting service;"
3. After the close of the public comment period, for a period not to exceed 60 days, continue consultation and collaboration on the proposal with the appropriate bar association officials and any others as appropriate; and
4. Within 21 days after the end of the consultation period, present to the Court a document containing the ARDC's proposal, as the ARDC may have amended based on the feedback from the comment and consultation periods, together with a report indicating any provisions of the proposal with which the interested parties significantly disagree.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "U.S. A. Kerwin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "U" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.