

Exhibit A

Proposed Amendment to Section 3 of the Rules Governing the Financial Assistance Plan of the State Bar of California Lawyer Assistance Program

(C) The Committee will have the right by which to approve, deny, or condition any Application, and to determine the veracity of all statements therein. The Committee shall have discretion to determine the length of an approval for assistance. No less than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of that approval, Applicants desiring an extension of the term of their approval for assistance shall submit a written request and justification along with updated tax returns or other similar income verification.