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RE: Comments on Interim Final Rule on Attorney's Fees

Dear Ms. Cohan:

Iowa Legal Aid is pleased to be able to submit these comments in support of the Interim Final Rule that LSC has proposed regarding the attorney's fees restriction. We wholeheartedly endorse the approach taken by LSC which lifts the restriction and allows for receipt of fees even for time spent prior to the enactment of this legislation. We believe this is an important step in increasing the availability of legal assistance to low-income people and also leveling the playing field so that clients represented by LSC-funded programs will have a somewhat more complete avenue of tools available to them just as other litigants in the courts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Groenenboom".

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