

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Case No. R-26-0035

MOTION FOR DELEGATION OF REGULATORY AUTHORITY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF GOVERNING FRAMEWORK

COMES NOW, Mecartea & Associates PLLC, by and through its representative, Crystal Rebecca Freyer, Certified Managing Qualified Regulatory Practitioner, and respectfully moves this Honorable Court to enter an Order delegating regulatory oversight, certification, and disciplinary authority for Qualified Administrative Representatives (QARs) and Qualified Regulatory Practitioners (QRPs) to the SOAR Governing Board.

I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

SOAR seeks to bridge the gap in administrative legal representation through a structured, ethical, and accountable framework. To ensure public protection and the integrity of administrative proceedings, SOAR requests that this Court formally recognize SOAR as the designated regulatory entity responsible for the administration of QAR and QRP credentials.

II. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK AND ACCOUNTABILITY

In accordance with the high professional standards established for QARs and QRPs, SOAR proposes the following internal governance structure, operating under the ultimate supervisory authority of this Court:

- **Certification and Oversight:** SOAR shall serve as the primary certifying body, ensuring that all practitioners meet rigorous educational, competency, and ethical requirements prior to authorization.
- **Disciplinary Committee:** SOAR has established an independent Disciplinary Committee, tasked with the investigation and adjudication of complaints regarding practitioner conduct. This committee will ensure adherence to established ethical standards and maintain the integrity of the profession.
- **Appellate Review Authority:** SOAR has instituted an Appellate Review Authority to provide due process to practitioners. This body shall serve as the final internal mechanism for reviewing decisions made by the Disciplinary Committee, ensuring that all regulatory actions are fair, transparent, and consistent with the Court's rules.

III. CONTINUED SUPERVISION

SOAR recognizes that this delegated authority is subject to the inherent oversight power of this Supreme Court. SOAR commits to providing periodic reports, maintaining public records of certified individuals, and adhering to any directives issued by this Court to ensure that administrative justice remains accessible, ethical, and effective for all citizens.

APPENDIX A: JURISDICTIONS WITH STRINGENT UPL ENFORCEMENT

As identified by the SOAR Phase 2 national study (as of May 2025), the following jurisdictions maintain more stringent disciplinary action or interpretations regarding the unauthorized practice of law:

Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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