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Ms. Deborah Blanchard
Joint Committee on Judiciary
Legislative Office Building, Room 2500
300 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

RE: Materials on the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts

Ms. Blanchard:

At the request of Mr. Neal Ossen of Connecticut's Commission on Uniform Legislation, we write to provide copies of materials related to the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts (RULONA). The RULONA was adopted at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Uniform Law Commission, and approved by the American Bar Association House of Delegates at their 2011 Annual Meeting. Mr. Ossen indicated that the Joint Committee on Judiciary will soon consider HB 5364, a bill related to notaries, and felt that the uniform act might be of interest and helpful to the Committee in their consideration of notarial issues.

If you have any questions about the RULONA or would like more information, please feel free to contact Mr. Ossen at nossen@skybridge.com.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "K. Marion".

Kieran P. Marion
Uniform Law Commission

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Neal Ossen

June 13, 2011

Patricia Brumfield Fry
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Dear Commissioner Fry:

I am delighted to inform you that the Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) Board of Directors voted unanimously at the Board's April 27, 2011, meeting to endorse the Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts (RULONA).

The property records industry is one of the largest areas in which notarial services are performed. Across the country, virtually every document affecting an interest in real property is acknowledged before a notarial officer before it is eligible to be recorded in the land records. As you know, PRIA was actively engaged in the RULONA drafting process, sending representatives to the meetings and providing comments on the drafts.

PRIA strongly supports the RULONA because the revised act is designed to help solve the actual or perceived problems of notarial acts performed by notarial officers in multiple jurisdictions and across state lines. The RULONA also sets a level standard for out-of-state recognition issues that, in the past, may have negatively impacted the land records system.

Like the Uniform Law Commission (ULC), PRIA develops best practices and standards for the industry through roundtable discussions where participants come together as equals to openly discuss issues relevant to the industry. PRIA provides a forum for the identification, research, discussion, development, drafting and implementation of national standards, best practices and new technology solutions to promote the integrity of the public records system, the efficiency of industry operations and the effectiveness of interfaces between the two.

PRIA commends the ULC on its well-balanced and thoughtful approach to the myriad of existing laws and legal principles. The final RULONA provides much needed clarification and modernization in the very important area of notarial acts.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Bramhall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small flourish at the end.

Richard Bramhall
President

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