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Subject: White Paper Action Plan - Mediation Advocacy

Please find attached the **White Paper Action Plan (Version 10)** as worked on since the June Board meeting (Alasdair & Paul).

This will be the **primary discussion item** for our August 14th (7pm) ADRIA Board of Directors video/teleconference call. I am taking the liberty of inviting Joanne Munro to join us on the call, if she is willing and available, as she & Wendy were the Task Force Co-Chairs and can offer essential expertise. If they or any Board members are NOT available on Aug 14th, I invite written comments and feedback in advance of the Board meeting using **REPLY TO ALL**.

I have also included several past ADRIA Board members, some current ADRIC Board members and ADRIA staff, as this continues to be a multi-year exercise in mediation advocacy, and your perspectives are always welcome. Please use **REPLY TO ALL** to add your perspectives to the discussion before the ADRIA Board meets on August 14th.

The matrix portion of the Action Plan is an internal document by which staff and Board will track its mediation advocacy efforts and plan future initiatives. While the matrix will be shared openly upon request, it will not be widely circulated or posted online (with the exception of the Board's official response to the White Paper, posted online at https://www.adralberta.com/Mediation-Advocacy-Task-Force). The Board's Action Plan is thus a living document, to which further notes can be added to (provided that they are dated and identifiable as such).

Board discussions on August 14th are not intended to be an exercise in wordsmithing. This is a lengthy document that could be edited and adjusted endlessly, and that is not the intent. Instead, the intent is to capture roughly we're at, what we've accomplished or initiated, and what we hope to accomplish or achieve in the future (both short & long term).

Thus your input is sought on the following:

Have we captured everything? (past, present and future)
Is there anything included that doesn't belong in the action plan?
Are the suggested or potential activities appropriately allocated to the timeline?

- *Short term 2017 & 2018*
- *Long Term 2019 and beyond*

Are the bullets sufficiently clear?
Does the Board endorse the direction and actions suggested? Note especially:

- *the intent to influence GOA budgets and spending allocations*
- *the intent to explore self-regulation of the profession*
- *the intent to advocate for higher GOA roster compensation*
- *the intent to advocate for re-instatement of the Rules of Court (ADR)*
- *the intent to further our GOA and non-profit partnership efforts*

The issue or partnerships and resources to make all this happen will certainly be the subject of separate and ongoing discussion.

The time you spend in reviewing this material, offering feedback, or otherwise preparing for the August 14th discussion is greatly appreciated.

Paul Conway | ***Executive Director***