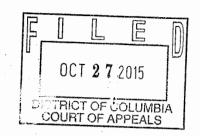
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NOTICE

This court is considering whether to adopt a recommendation of the Board of Governors of the District of Columbia Bar that Rule XI of the District of Columbia Rules Governing the Bar be amended by deleting Section 19 (f). In support of that recommendation, the Rules Review Committee of the Bar states the following: "Section 19(f) of Rule XI of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals Rules Governing the Bar is largely duplicative of Rule 1.15 [of the District of Columbia Rules of Professional Conduct.] The committee thinks that lawyers should not have to look further than Rule 1.15 to determine their ethical obligations on record keeping. Rule 1.15 provides the authority for subjecting lawyers to discipline for deficiencies in record-keeping. In addition, apart from the obvious question of whether Rule 1.15 and Rule XI Section 19(f) mean the same thing, the committee is concerned that lawyers might be unaware that the miscellaneous matters section of a rule governing disciplinary proceedings contains a substantive provision on record keeping. Accordingly, the Rules Review Committee recommends that Rule XI be amended to eliminate Section 19(f)." Requests for additional information regarding the recommendation may be directed to Ms. Karen Savransky by email at ksavransky@dcbar.org.

This notice is published to afford interested parties an opportunity to submit written comments concerning the amendment under consideration. Ten copies of any comments should be addressed to the Clerk, D.C. Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001 by December 28, 2015. All comments submitted pursuant to this notice will be available to the public.