

WSR 25-18-010
 RULES OF COURT
 STATE SUPREME COURT
 [July 2, 2025]

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED) ORDER
 AMENDMENTS TO RPC 6.1—PRO) NO. 25700-A-1650
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Attorney Kevin Flannery, having recommended the adoption of the proposed amendments to RPC 6.1—Pro Bono Publico Service, and the Court having published the proposed amendments for comment, and having considered the proposed amendments, and having determined that the proposed amendments to Comment 3 to RPC 6.1 as revised by the Court will aid in the prompt and orderly administration of justice;

Now, therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED:

(a) That the proposed amendments to Comment 3 to RPC 6.1 as revised by the Court and as shown below are adopted. A majority of the Court declined to adopt the remainder of the proposed amendments, with Justices Gordon McCloud, Montoya-Lewis, and Whitener dissenting from that decision.

(b) That the proposed amendments to Comment 3 to RPC 6.1 will be published in the Washington Reports and will become effective September 1, 2025.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 2nd day of July, 2025.

	Stephens, C.J.
_____ Johnson, J.	_____ Yu, J.
_____ Madsen, J.	_____ Montoya-Lewis, J.
_____ Gonzalez, J.	_____ Whitener, J.
_____ Gordon McCloud, J.	_____ Mungia, J.

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[Unchanged.]

Comments

[1]-[2] [Unchanged.]

[3] **[Washington revision]** Persons eligible for legal services under paragraphs (a) (1) are those who qualify for services provided by a qualified legal services provider (see Washington Comment [14]) and those whose incomes and financial resources are slightly above the guidelines utilized by such programs but nevertheless, cannot afford legal services. Legal services under paragraphs (a) (1) and (2) include those rendered to individuals or to organizations such as ~~homeless shelters, battered women's centers~~ for individuals affected by domestic violence, or and food pantries that serve those of limited means. The term "governmental organizations" includes, but is not limited to, public protection programs and sections of governmental or public sector agencies.

[4]-[16] [Unchanged.]