In the Proposed USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct, I am against the elimination of Rule 1.9(j) in the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct that prohibits a lawyer from having sexual relations with a client. I am also against the elimination of Rule 2.1 which encourages lawyers to give advice that is moral, economic, social and political as well as about the law. The law is an outgrowth of moral, economic, social and political considerations and, therefore, such considerations should not be minimized. The proposed rule change also handcuffs lawyers in their attempts to give advice to clients.

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