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I have read a number of the submissions to the enquiry and wish to express my support in particular to two of the submissions- that of the Institute of Chartered Accountants and that of Pitcher Partners. In both, it seems to me, that they are advising the enquiry against supporting proposed amendments which are supposed to ensure the NSW barristers situation is not, when it occurs again, effective. However the "unintended consequences" which would result from the amendments being enacted, will adversely affect many normal transaction carried out in good faith. Retrospectivity as a principle is unacceptable except where it is used to correct an inequitable wrong. I dont believe that this proposal makes out a good case for its application on this particular situation. ALAN BAKER B COM FCA Baker Taylor Pty Ltd **Chartered Accountants** 153 Walker St North Sydney 2060 02 9955 6978

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