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The Honorable William E. Kovacic
Chairman
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, District of Columbia 20580

Dear Chairman Kovacic:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter from one of my constituents, Kenneth Bate, for your review. I am respectfully referring this correspondence to you for your consideration as it concerns an issue before your agency.

I appreciate your consideration of this issue. Please direct your response to my constituent.

Thank you for your thoughtful reply.

Sincerely,

Claire McCaskill
United States Senator

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My name is Kenneth E Bate, and I am one of your constituents. I am an Independent Associate of Pre-Paid Legal Services (c), Inc. I am writing about the FTC's proposed "Business Opportunity" rule (16 CFR Part 437). I have been with Pre-Paid Legal for a couple of months; I am concerned about this rule because I feel it would have a negative effect on my home-based business and part-time income. The FTC would require a seven-day waiting period before new Associatges can sign up as a Pre-Paid Legal sales Associate. The FTC would requite me to provide the names and telephone numbers of the 10 nearest prior purchasers of the "Business Opportunity" to all potential Associates. The FTC would also require me to provide a list of lawsuits filed against the company going back 10 years. While the FTC's proposal might be well-intentioned, I believe it is ill-conceived. Please contact the FTC, and stop this proposed rule. Yours, Kenneth E Bate