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Dear Sir / Madam,

I speak on behalf of all Financial Planners and Estate Planners here in Australia. The work of a Financial Planner fulfils many facets of giving appropriate and competent advice to all Australians. If I could give you a scenario on how our practice works in assisting clients: When it comes to helping clients in organising their personal and financial affairs, part of the process involves an organised estate, therefore an organised will. With a will comes an Enduring Power of Attorney and an Enduring Power of Guardianship. This practice will be executing 2 -3 wills per week, hence the office needs to seek a Commissioner of Declarations or Justice of the Peace or a listed entity who are given the power to officially witness these documents.

It is noted on the Commonwealth of Australia Statutory Declaration form (Statutory Declaration Act 1959), there are a number of persons and occupations that are listed. Two notable exceptions to this list include Financial Planners and Estate Planners. I hereby wish to nominate these two occupations to be included on the list of the Commonwealth of Australia Statutory Declaration form.

This would provide complete flexibility when dealing with Aust citizens when assisting them to organise their personal affairs. I appreciate the opportunity to place this submission.

If you need to call for clarification or for further information, please do not hesitate to contact our office where we'd be only too happy to assist.

Yours sincerely

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