



# Staff Memorandum

## **HOUSE OF DELEGATES Agenda Item #9**

To supplement the other materials related to this agenda item, attached is a letter from the Monroe County Bar Association expressing support for the report and recommendations.



**SENT VIA EMAIL TO: [mcnamara@sewkis.com](mailto:mcnamara@sewkis.com)**

October 20, 2017

Michael J. McNamara, President  
New York County Lawyers Association  
Seward & Kissel LLP  
One Battery Park Plaza  
New York, NY 10004

Dear Mr. McNamara:

I am pleased to inform you that the Monroe County Bar Association Board of Trustees met yesterday and voted to co-sponsor the report prepared by the New York County Lawyers Association regarding Online Legal Providers. They also, however, requested that I inform you of some concerns expressed by a small minority of our Trustees that some attorneys and their corporate clients may view those bar associations co-sponsoring the report as being anti-arbitration in general. This concern was not widely shared and did not prevent us from deciding to co-sponsor the report. However, we believe it is helpful for you to receive this information.

If you have any questions regarding our support, please feel free to contact me or the Monroe County Bar Association Executive Director, Kevin Ryan.

Best regards,

Jill M. Cicero, Esq., President