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Re: Notice of Opportunity for Ministerial Appointment: College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants

Dear Minister,

I am writing to you in regards to the recent "Notice of Opportunity for Ministerial Appointment: College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants" published by IRCC. CAPIC supports your decision to reopen the intake process for Public Interest Director (PID) applications. It is crucial that the transition to the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants proceeds smoothly, and ensuring the Board of Directors has the requisite qualified members is key to that success.

CAPIC encourages the selection of experienced candidates from across the immigration industry to serve in the capacity of PIDs. However, as the College will be responsible for regulating immigration and citizenship consultants in Canada, it is CAPIC's belief that competing professionals, such as practicing immigration lawyers, are not an appropriate fit for this role.

CAPIC continues to support ethical conduct, consumer protection, and increased competency in the immigration and citizenship industry and has full confidence the College Board of Directors will reflect these priorities.

Sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer

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