

November 13, 2008

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

**Re: Request to Extend Unlimited TLGP Coverage to IOLTA Accounts
RIN #3064-AD37**

Dear FDIC:

I urge you to extend unlimited coverage under the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program (TLGP) to Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA). As presently proposed, an unintended consequence of the TLGP will be to encourage lawyers to move their trust accounts to non-interest bearing accounts, resulting in less IOLTA funding for programs that provide legal services to needy members of society across the nation.

I am an attorney who regularly handles cases on a pro bono basis. I am also a Board member of the Disability Rights Legal Center, which provides free legal services to persons with disabilities, and which receives significant funding from IOLTA. In one of my cases, I represent a 5-year old boy whose family is trying to obtain a free appropriate public education for him as they confront his diagnosis with autism. We cannot allow the benefits of unlimited deposit insurance coverage to risk or reduce the provision of such legal services.

Please extend the unlimited TLGP coverage to IOLTA accounts.

Sincerely,


Edward G. Burg

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