Draft e mail to AALS Family and Juvenile list serve and ADR list serve.

Dear Colleagues:

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

I have been designated the Reporter for the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws effort to create a Uniform Collaborative Law Act (UCLA). A Drafting Committee has been appointed, and had a lengthy meeting in April. Background research materials on Collaborative Law where created for that meeting.

I prepared a first draft of the Act with commentary for review at the next meeting of the Drafting Committee, which will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in Boise, Idaho.

The purpose of this e mail is to encourage you to review and comment on the Act. I am posting it on both the AALS Family and Juvenile Law Section and ADR Section list serves because of the cross over interest in the subject. Please feel free to share this e mail with anyone else you think might be interested in UCLA.

My students and I have created a website for the Act. Its address is law.hofstra.edu/ucla. You will be able to find and download the draft of the UCLA and the background research materials there if you wish. You can also post comments on the Act on the website. You can also contact me directly and I will share your comments with the Drafting Committee.

It is very important to note that the Act is a preliminary stage of development. The Drafting Committee has not yet reviewed it. Those of you who read it will find many "Notes to the Drafting Committee" which I hope help identify key policy issues on which you might want to comment. Comments received before the Drafting Committee meeting on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> would be especially helpful.

Please contact me with questions, comments and concerns and thank you for your help. I look forward to hearing from you.

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