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Dear Sir

RAIA APPLICATION FOR SUBSTITUTE AUTHORISATION

As an active member of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects I am writing in support of the RAIA application for substitute authorisation. The RAIA is an important advocate in the building industry for the continued fair and equitable provision of architectural services to the public.

In particular I wish to support the continuation of the following:

- THE FEE GUIDE

This document provides historical information to practices on the range of reasonable fees applicable to various types of projects against which individual project fees, calculated on the basis of the scope of services requested, can be assessed. The guide provides supplementary information that would otherwise be extremely difficult for small practices, in particular, to obtain.

- THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

The RAIA is a professional institute that should strive to uphold higher standards for all its members than the minimum required by government regulation. Clients are cognisant of the value of RAIA membership for them.

- STANDARD CLIENT/ARCHITECT AGREEMENTS

These provide a basis for fair and equitable engagement conditions protecting both the client and the architect by clearly describing the role and responsibilities of each of the parties.

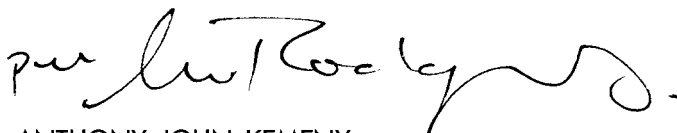
The standard forms assist both parties as they have the potential to eliminate the need for expensive legal advice concerning standard terms of engagement.

- COMPETITION GUIDELINES

These provide assurance that competitions, which require serious time and resource allocations are fair and professionally managed.

As a practicing Architect, I fully endorse the work of the RAIA in promoting architecture for the mutual benefit of architects, clients and the general public.

Yours faithfully



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