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Evelyn B. Brown Executive Director Virginia Board of Counseling 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300 Richmond. VA 23233-1463

RE: Regulations of the Board of Counseling

Dear Ms. Brown:

You have asked whether the proposed changes to the above-cited regulations are exempt from the operation of the Administrative Process Act.

The proposed amendments, to provide for submission of documents and payments by electronic means, are exempt in accordance with provisions of Chapter 85 of the 2009 Acts of the Assembly.

Having satisfied all legal requirements, you may proceed to take the necessary steps to promulgate this exempt regulation with the Registrar of Regulations.

Sincerely,

Senior Assistant Attorney General

c: Elaine J. Yeatts, Agency Regulatory Coordinator Department of Health Professions