

**THE NOTARIES SOCIETY**

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Dear Ms Adair

**ICAEW proposed application to regulate the Notarial Profession**

I am writing to you in my capacity as Secretary of The Notaries Society which represents the majority of the Notarial profession in England and Wales.

Our Regulator, Charles George QC. The Master of the Faculties, has made us aware of your proposed application to regulate the Notarial profession and other providers of Reserved Legal Activities.

We understand that you seek to regulate "Entities" only, you should be aware that the vast majority of members of The Notaries Society are sole practitioners and therefore not "Entities" who can be regulated.

For the avoidance of doubt we do not think it would be in the public interest for Notaries whether or not Entities to be regulated by your Institute

If you do proceed to make an application to the Legal Services Board to be a Regulator of any part of the Notarial profession the Society will strongly oppose such an application.

Yours faithfully

**Christopher Vaughan**