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Subject: Revised Mandatory Guidelines FR DOCKET 04-7984

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing regarding the proposed revisions in guidelines regarding drug testing in the workplace for public employees. I have dealt with paruresis (difficulty urinating in the presence of others) for as long as I can remember. Through hard work it has become somewhat easier to urinate in public, however I can assert that I would be unable to produce a sample if it were mandatory to produce one in the presence of another person watching and waiting.

Paruresis is a legitimate phobia. While I see the need for drug testing in certain occupations, those who request it should be able to receive a reliable alternative that does not require the giving of a urine sample. Otherwise I feel myself and others like me will be unfairly discriminated against for a medical/psychological condition (it is likely a combination of both) over which we have no control.

Sincerely,

Michael Sean Kaminsky