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Dear Ms. Sassower:

This letter is in response to your correspondence of November 21, 1995, which was delivered to the courthouse in White Plains but was delayed in reaching this office by the Thanksgiving holiday.

You have asked about the response of the Second Circuit to the recommendation of the National Commission on Judicial Discipline and Removal concerning a committee that would "be available to assist in the presentation to the chief judge of serious complaints against federal judges." The circuit has given serious consideration to the possibility of using committees for that purpose and so far has decided not to do so. The matter is regularly reviewed, however, and it is possible that such a committee (or other entity with the same function) may be established in the future.

You also have asked about the Second Circuit's response to "other recommendations of the Judicial Conference, its Review Committee, and the National Commission as they pertain to the circuits." That inquiry covers a broad territory. If specific recommendations are of interest, please identify them so we can provide a response.

Very truly yours,

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