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Dear Ms. Sassower:

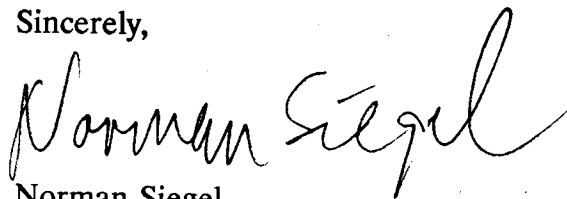
Please forgive the delay in responding to your letter. We have received your correspondence requesting assistance and have reviewed your request. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer you assistance with this matter.

Please understand that this does not imply any judgment on the merits of your case. The New York Civil Liberties Union is a private, non-profit organization that seeks to preserve and extend constitutional rights and privileges found mainly in the Bill of Rights. Thus, generally, we accept for direct litigation only test cases which involve a significant civil liberties issue. Because of our limited staff and resources, we must give priority to those cases where our participation can benefit a large class of people or lead to a change in the law.

Our decision should not discourage you from pursuing your case by contacting a private attorney, or if you cannot afford private counsel, a legal services organization.

We are sorry that we are unable to offer you assistance at this time.

Sincerely,



Norman Siegel