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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [elena@judgewatch.org]
Sent: Friday, April 04, 2008 8:19 AM
To: 'Dallas Jamison'
Subject: Thank you, but -- RE: 4/3/08 Query..

Dear Ms. Jamison:

Before sending my memo of today's date to the Institute, I had already visited the Institute's website. It identifies the Institute's "core issues" to include "Judicial Independence", but does not specify any projects other than:

"initiatives...concentrated in the area of public education, including, 1) Outreach to media to solicit stories on this issue; 2) speeches to national audiences on this topic."

Surely, in order for the Institute to educate the public about "judicial independence" – certainly on the federal level – it must first review and analyze, if not develop a position about, the four matters identified by my memo – each current and the subject of media attention. Indeed, the Institute's stated "strategic approach" is:

“Research: We begin our work in any area with comprehensive, objective research that identifies issues, current practices and critical thinking about the subject. In appropriate areas, we conduct our own empirical research in order to answer questions and target solutions.

Recommendations: From that research, we develop concrete recommendations or best practices models designed to provide decision-makers with useful templates.”

Nonetheless, I see nothing on the Institute's website responsive to the four matters identified by my memo, which is the reason I sent it. Therefore, kindly advise accordingly.

Thank you.

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From: Dallas Jamison [mailto:dallas.jamison@du.edu]
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Elena:

My colleague Jordan Singer forwarded your email query requesting information about official positions taken by IAALS on a number of specific issues. If you visit our website at www.du.edu/legalinstitute you will see a detailed overview of the core issues and projects we have chosen to focus on. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance. Thank you.

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