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TO:	Justice at Stake Campaign ATT: Bert Brandenburg, Executive Director
FROM:	Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)
	Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)
RE:	Queries on Federal Judicial Discipline:
	(1) the Federal Judiciary's New Rules;
	(2) the Breyer Committee & its Report;
	(3) Proposed Congressional Legislation
	for an Inspector General for the Judicial Branch

Your March 14, 2008 press release, "Justice at Stake Praises New Federal Judicial Misconduct Rules, Outlines Further Steps", indicates that the Justice at Stake Campaign made submissions to the Judicial Conference of the United States concerning the proposed and adopted federal judicial misconduct rules. However, these submissions do not appear to be posted on your website. Is this so? – and would you kindly furnish them to us, including:

(1) Justice at Stake's October 15, 2007 comments – presumably embodying its "official recommendations" – "several" of which were adopted;

(2) Justice at Stake's further recommendations, embodying its urging of "additional steps to strengthen the Rules".

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Additionally, it appears from searching your website that Justice at Stake did not issue any press releases about Chief Justice Rehnquist's appointment, in May 2004, of the committee headed by Associate Justice Breyer to study the federal judiciary's implementation of the 1980 Act or of the report thereafter rendered in September 2006. Is this correct? And has Justice at Stake also undertaken no analysis of the Breyer Committee's report?

Further, it appears that Justice at Stake did not issue any press releases concerning the legislation introduced in the House and Senate, in 2006, to create an Inspector General for the Judicial Branch, reintroduced in 2007. Is this correct? And has Justice at Stake also taken no position on it?

Your prompt response would be greatly appreciated.

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