

NINTH JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

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Dear Mr. Greco:

As promised when we met at last month's ABA Convention, I telephoned your office to confirm that you had been able to obtain a copy of the Ninth Judicial Committee's critique of the judicial qualifications of Andrew O'Rourke and of our extensive correspondence with the ABA relative to its responsibility to retract a "Qualified" rating shown by that critique to be indefensible.

The inventory of that correspondence is as follows:

- 5/19/92 ltr: to President D'Alemberte (1)
- (2) 6/18/92 ltr: from Chairman Olson (3)
- 6/26/92 ltr: to Chairman Olson
- 9/11/92 ltr: to Chairman Willis (4)(5)
- 9/11/92 ltr: to President McWilliams 9/18/92 ltr: from Chairman Willis (6)
- 10/6/92 ltr: to President McWilliams **(7)**
- 10/21/92 ltr: from President McWilliams (8)
- 11/11/92 ltr: to President McWilliams (9)
- (10) 12/18/92 ltr: to President McWilliams
- (11) 1/18/93 ltr: to Chairman Willis
- (12) 1/19/93 ltr: from Chairman Willis (13) 1/22/93 ltr: to Chairman Willis
- (14) 2/9/92 ltr: from Chairman Willis

Since I have not heard back from you or anyone else in your office, I do not know whether you have received copies of the aforesaid materials.

In view of the serious and unresolved issues presented by the critique and correspondence, we believe every member of the ABA's Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary should receive full those documents so that appropriate corrective procedures can be devised and promptly implemented.

As you can see from our enclosed latest letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee, we are still awaiting confirmation that the Standing Committee has, in fact, met its obligation to the public under Rule 8.2(a) of the ABA's own Model Rules of Professional Conduct.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

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Enclosure: 9/22/93 ltr to the Senate Judiciary Committee

cc: Robert Evans, Director

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