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Re: Sassower v. The New York Times Company

Dear Ms. Sassower:

I am in receipt of your letter of May 1, 2006.

We have checked, and have found that, in contrast to the conclusion reached in your letter, our motion to dismiss and the RJJ have properly been served and filed in Westchester Supreme Court. There may have been some sort of confusion in the clerk's office because at least one judge apparently has recused him/herself but there is no question that the motion is now properly before the court. Therefore, I strongly suggest that you respond to the motion to dismiss by the date we agreed upon after you had requested an extension, June 1, 2006.

On the other hand, you are correct that I had submitted the wrong congressional transcript with my affidavit. As you are aware, it is the Senate Judiciary Committee transcript of May 22, 2003, which you are very familiar with and which is also on your website, which should have been submitted. I will submit the proper transcript to the court at an appropriate time.

Very truly yours,

George Freeman

cc: Eli Vigliano, Esq

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