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RE: CORRECTIONS

Dear Mr. Patafio:

I request the following be printed as a Letter to the Editor. The two errors it corrects are verifiable from the copy of the *unopposed* cert petition in Bruce Golding's possession, together with the supplemental brief.

TO THE EDITOR

Bruce Golding's important story (10/6/98) about the U.S. Supreme Court's denial of my cert petition, seeking review of the illegal and retaliatory suspension of my law license is marred by two substantive errors:

Firstly, the article incorrectly states that I was suspended "pending a court-ordered medical examination". That this is untrue is reflected by the face of the suspension order itself. It is unconditional and not "pending" anything.

Secondly, the article incorrectly states that the order of suspension "came one day before Sassower was scheduled to argue in court against a political deal that led to Republican and Democratic cross-endorsement of seven judicial candidates between 1989 and 1991". In fact, it was the order directing the medical examination which was issued on that date. It, like the subsequent suspension order, stated no reasons, made no findings, and was not the product of any hearing -- all in violation of law.

As for the timing of the suspension order, it was issued within days of the <u>New York Times</u>' publication of my Letter to the Editor announcing that I would be appealing the wrongful dismissal of the case against those involved in the deal. Indeed, the immediately-effective suspension order was served upon me on the day before the last day to file the notice of appeal.

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cc: Bruce Golding, By Fax: 694-5018

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