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Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

RE: Championing Basic Citizen Rights – and the Vital Importance of Citizen  
Participation in Federal Judicial Selection

DATE: September 11, 2003

Following up my August 21st voice-mail message for you – and the further voice mail message I left for you a short time ago (202-347-7960) – attached is my June 16, 2003 memo to Ralph Nader, Public Citizen, and Common Cause, requesting legal and other assistance in defense of fundamental citizen rights, threatened by an extraordinary criminal case against me for "disruption of Congress", pending in D.C. Superior Court.

As Appleseed is a "Campaign Partner" of the Justice at Stake Campaign, I also enclose my yesterday's letter to another "Campaign Partner" – The Constitution Project – to which the Campaign's Executive Director, Geri Palast, is an indicated recipient.

As you can see, I have proposed a meeting for next Wednesday or Thursday, September 17th or 18th, to discuss the primary source documents underlying the June 16th memo and to develop an action agenda to advance the unimplemented non-partisan, good-government recommendations to reform the federal judicial confirmation process, long ago made by The Ralph Nader Congress Project (1975), Common Cause (1986), and the Twentieth Century Foundation's Task Force on Judicial Selection (1988). The Appleseed Foundation should be part of that meeting – and all the more so because of the important work being done by Chicago Appleseed in evaluating candidates for the federal bench – including through attorney/public comment. Should this not be possible, I request to meet with you separately to discuss Appleseed's legal and other assistance in defending me against the "disruption of Congress" charge, as well as its participation in advancing the systemic reforms outlined by the attached materials and more fully detailed on CJA's website: [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org).

I look forward to speaking with you at your earliest convenience.

Thank you.