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Subject: Amicus Curiae & other support & assistance for Appellate Division motion to advance recusal reform in NYS
Attachments: 9-27-10-notice-motion.doc; 9-27-10-aff.doc

Dear Ms. Lee,

I have still not heard from Mr. Waldman – although I left a further message for him at about 4 p.m. on Friday, September 24th, with Liana – an intern in the office – who, after checking, told me that Mr. Waldman was unavailable. She could not answer when he would be available or when a face-to-face meeting might be scheduled. Nor was she able to confirm that Mr. Waldman had received the primary-source materials I left with Adam Skaggs on July 27th – or my exchange of e-mails with him from August 10th onward – which I had requested that you ensure he have.

Time is of the essence. The Brennan Center has a powerful opportunity to advance recusal reform in New York State by its *amicus curiae* participation on my Appellate Division motion – which I have delayed serving since August 10th. At very least, I wish to understand from Mr. Waldman why the Brennan Center is not providing any scholarly assistance or other recommendations for finalizing the motion or any referrals to other organizations, including bar associations, able to provide such assistance. Attached is the latest draft of the motion, which I request be promptly forwarded to him, with this e-mail.

I await his expeditious response so that I may know whether to move ahead and serve the motion this Wednesday, September 29th.

Thank you.

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