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| FROM | Elena Ruth Sassow | er, Coordinato | r | |
| Dear | Mr. Blattner: | RE: <u>CARNES CO</u> | NFIRMATION | |

We trust that Senator Kennedy will be in the vanguard of the opposition to the Carnes confirmation--when it reaches the Senate floor next week.

Because the 10-4 Judiciary Committee vote indicates that it will take more than opposition to Mr. Carnes' record on the death penalty to defeat him, we urge you to review the critique we submitted to the Senate Judiciary Committee which documented the failure of the screening process—including the ratings of the American Bar Association.

Enclosed is our May 18th letter to Senate Majority Leader Mitchell--which gives a capsule summary of why you should access our critique from the Senate Judiciary Committee ASAP. We believe that if Senators such as Senator Kennedy make the integrity of the screening process a focal issue there will be bipartisan support for a halt to <u>all</u> judicial confirmations pending investigation.

Also enclosed FYI is our <u>New York Times</u> Letter to the Editor, entitled "Untrustworthy Ratings", as well as a blurb from <u>New York Magazine</u> based on our critique entitled "Credentials Gap: Case of the Missing Cases".

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