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Dear Ms. Sassower:

I have received your letter of February 24, 1992. We are continuing our efforts to have the Justice Department rescind its policy of inhibiting candidates for the federal bench from meeting with our Judiciary Committee. We hope for a successful resolution of this matter.

The Association conducts evaluations of judicial candidates, including its investigations and deliberations, in confidence. In accordance with this policy, the Association does not make public any information regarding the status of review of particular nominees. Our recommendations on appointive judgeships are conveyed to the proper appointing authorities; our

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recommendations on candidates for elective judgeships are conveyed through Association press releases.

Very truly yours,



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