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RE: Freedom of Information Act Appeals: CRM-20000926F
00-4326, 00-4338

Dear Mr. Huff:

By letter dated December 11, 2000, you advised that your office was "administratively closing" appeal number 00-4337, which it had "mistakenly opened". Said appeal had been previously assigned number 00-3511, and was disposed of by you under that earlier number, by letter dated September 28, 2000. For your convenience, copies of these two letters are enclosed.

Please be advised that on October 6, 2000, the same day as your office mistakenly informed us of appeal number 00-4337 for our appeal "from the action of the Office of Information and Privacy", bearing a file number is OIP/00-R0558, it wrote us two additional letters. These two letters notified us that CJA's appeal "from the action of the Criminal Division", bearing a file number CRM 20000926F, had been assigned appeal numbers, 00-4326 and 00-4338. Copies of the three October 6, 2000 letters are also enclosed.

Like the redundant 00-4337, your office appears to have mistakenly opened appeal number 00-4338 in response to CJA's September 11, 2000 letter. This letter was received by your office on September 15, 2000 – a day following its receipt of CJA's September 8, 2000 letter, to which your office correctly responded by opening appeal number 00-4326. Copies of CJA's September 8, 2000 and

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September 11, 2000 letters, with the certified mail/return receipts, are also enclosed for your convenience.

Inasmuch as 00-4338 is redundant of CJA's appeal under 00-4326, it should be "administratively clos[ed]". Meantime, please advise when we may expect a response to 00-4326, as this was NOT disposed of by your September 28, 2000 letter.

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary
and government integrity,

Elena Ruth Sassower

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