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November 19, 1996

Harvey Uklist, General Manager  
New York Law Journal  
345 Park Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Uklist:

As you know, yesterday morning after faxing copies of our ad, "A Call for Concerted Action", to Peter Hano and Ruth Hochberger, I arrived at the Law Journal with the original.

You joined Mr. Hano in the lobby area and I repeated to you what Mr. Hano had told me when I arrived: that the Law Journal was not going to print our ad because of what he termed "inaccuracies", but that it would be printed if the "inaccuracies" were corrected. I told you that Mr. Hano had been unable to identify what the "inaccuracies" were.

Like Mr. Hano, you were unable to identify any "inaccuracies" in our ad. Repeatedly and unequivocally I detailed to both you and Mr. Hano that there were no "inaccuracies" in our ad, but that, if the Law Journal would identify what "inaccuracies" it was talking about, we were ready to correct them.

It was my understanding that you would be getting clarification on that subject so that the matter could be amicably resolved and our ad printed, as scheduled, in the Law Journal's November 20th issue. At the time we spoke together you stated that you had seen our November 17th letter to Ms. Hochberger, which we faxed to her with the ad that morning. That letter enclosed a copy of our November 4th letter to Ms. Hochberger and I showed you the originals of both documents in the course of our conversation together.

I arranged with Mr. Hano that I would call you at 3:00 p.m.-- which gave you four hours to clarify the "inaccuracies" and I left with him the originals of our November 17th and November 4th letters.

Nevertheless, when I called you at 3:00 p.m., your secretary informed me that you were not in. After taking a message, she transferred my call to Mr. Hano.

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Mr. Hano told me that he had spoken to you twenty minutes earlier and that you had told him that the Law Journal was "declining" our ad. He did not know why the ad was being "declined" or who had made the decision. I reminded Mr. Hano that he had earlier told me that if the "inaccuracies" of our ad were corrected, the Law Journal would print it, but Mr. Hano was unable to identify any "inaccuracies".

By this letter, we request to know why the Law Journal has, without reasons, "declined" to print our ad and who is responsible for such decision. Plainly, the Law Journal's failure to identify any "inaccuracies" in our ad is a concession that--much as I told you and Mr. Hano yesterday morning--there are none. Under such circumstances, we wish to know the justification for the Law Journal's depriving the legal community of the accurate and truthful information presented therein.

Please let us hear from you without delay. Once again, we reiterate our willingness to remove any "inaccurate" matter from our ad so that it may appear, as scheduled, in tomorrow's newspaper. As I told Mr. Hano when I left him yesterday, we should not be required to use a ouji board to discern what you at the Law Journal consider "inaccurate".

It is not our intention to let this serious matter drop.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator  
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cc: Ruth Hochberger, Editor-in-Chief  
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FROM: Elena Sassoun

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