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Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 3:08 AM
To: elena@judgewatch.org; David Keene
Subject: LORETTA LYNCH EDITORIAL

Dear Miss Sassower --

You are mistaken. Our editorial was not [seriously erroneous](#),"as you said in an email to me and others. An editorial is the opinion of the newspaper, so it cannot be [erroneous](#), seriously or otherwise. Mistaken, perhaps, even wrong-headed or dumb, but not [erroneous](#). You may not agree with our opinion, and that is your opinion. The great thing about opinions is that, like belly buttons, everyone has one. That's why editorials are put on a page separate from the news pages.

Readers occasionally confuse fact with opinion, an error common in Washington, particularly among advocacy groups where passion is the common currency. We may well conclude in a later editorial that Miss Lynch should not be confirmed, and say so, and if we do, that will be an opinion, too.

Thank you for your letter, and I appreciate your reading The Times. We always take readers' views -- and opinions -- fully into account.

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