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RE: Congresswoman Lowey's Intervention in Obtaining a Response from the House Judiciary Committee to CJA's September 4, 2001 letter to it

Dear Ms. Keegan:

I have received no response to CJA's September 4th letter to Melissa McDonald, Oversight Counsel at the House Judiciary Committee's Courts Subcommittee – a copy of which was also sent to Committee Chairman Sensenbrenner (to the attention of Philip Kiko, General Counsel/Chief of Staff).

Although I realize that the catastrophic intervening events have disrupted the Committee's operations, its appalling track record of ignoring CJA's prior correspondence gives us no cause for confidence that we will obtain a response, *absent* intervention by Congresswoman Lowey, *if then*.

As you will recall, I hand-delivered to you a copy of CJA's September 4th letter on September 5th, under a coverletter addressed to you.

Parenthetically, I have received no response to that coverletter, inquiring as to whether your staff has been able to locate CJA's prior correspondence with the Congresswoman from 1992-1996 concerning the House Judiciary Committee's Courts Subcommittee – copies of which I had brought to our August 28th meeting.

Finally, I would appreciate your follow-up to CJA's request for copies of the Congressional Research Service Reports for the 102nd – 105th Congresses of "Committee Funding Resolutions and Processes" – requested by CJA's August 20th letter to Kenneth Famulare of your office staff.

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

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