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FROM: Elena Ruth Sassower, Coordinator

Dear Mr. Hentoff:

IMPORTANT STATISTIC enclosed...as well as our Letter to the Editor to US News & World Report on the subject of that statistic--and their October 12th 11-page coverstory.

We hope you will be meet with us about this incredible "untold story". Your many fine stories about the judiciary have won our highest admiration.

P.S. We believe that had the press given any coverage to Senator D'Amato's scandalous recommendation for federal judgeships of the 1986 Republican gubernatorial ticket of O'Rourke and Kavanaugh--or D'Amato's documented refusal to respond to our quieries concerning Mr. O'Rourke's judicial qualifications--he might not have "squeaked through" and been re-elected.

Indeed, last week's Gannett newspaper speculated that D'Amato picked up votes precisely because of O'Rourke's nomination (copy enclosed). We don't know why the press didn't jump at the chance to expose that nomination for the crass political deal which we showed it to be. As reported in last Friday's Law Journal, D'Amato will continue to have the opportunity to recommend for federal judgeships.

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