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*Elena Ruth Sassower, Coordinator*

May 30, 2003

D.C. Pre-Trial Services  
Superior Court of the District of Columbia  
500 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Room C-301  
Washington, D.C. 20004

ATT: Vaughn Wilson, Pre-Trial Services Officer

RE: United States of America v. Elena Ruth Sassower #M04113-03  
Required Address Verification: via Senator Edward M. Kennedy  
and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee

Dear Mr. Wilson:

As a New York resident, plainly unable to fulfill the standard verification requirement that I personally return within 24 hours to Pre-Trial Services with an envelope mailed to me at my stated address, you were kind enough to suggest an alternative: you would send me an envelope and I would telephone you upon its receipt. This I agreed to do – and have done.

Nonetheless, and believing my own first-suggested alternative to be equally appropriate, I am herewith mailing you an envelope that was in my mailbox when I returned home after my arrest and 21-hour incarceration in Washington, D.C. Indeed, I cannot resist mailing you this envelope for purposes of your verifying my address inasmuch as its indicated sender, identified on the envelope's face, is "Senator Edward M. Kennedy", with the backside of the envelope further indicating "Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee" and folding out to a solicitation for my financial support to ensure a Democratic Senate majority in 2004.

As copies of this letter are being sent to Senator Kennedy, along with Democratic Senators Patrick Leahy, Charles Schumer, Russell Feingold, and John Edwards, each up for re-election in 2004 and beneficiaries of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee<sup>1</sup>, I will amplify upon the irony of receiving -- within hours of my

<sup>1</sup> Democratic Senators Schumer and Feingold are explicitly identified by the solicitation as "need[ing]"

release from incarceration – this campaign fund-raising solicitation, one of whose issues is “what the right has in mind for the courts”.

Senator Kennedy, as well as Senators Leahy, Schumer, Feingold, and Edwards, are ALL members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, bearing responsibility for my arrest on the trumped-up charge of “disruption of Congress”. Such arrest followed upon my respectful request, at the conclusion of the Senate Judiciary Committee’s May 22<sup>nd</sup> “hearing”, to be permitted to testify in opposition to Senate confirmation of New York Court of Appeals Judge Richard Wesley to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. This was a request which both the Senate Judiciary Committee and Capitol Police knew, *in advance*, I would be making, along with the compelling reasons therefor<sup>2</sup>.

Actually, the Committee’s Democrats most responsible for my arrest are its Ranking Democrat, Vermont Senator Leahy, and the Ranking Democrat of its Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, New York Senator Schumer. Although each publicly postures about the Committee’s duty to scrutinize the qualifications of judicial nominees, their true commitment is to patronage deal-making in federal judgeships between and among Senators and the White House.

In order for Senators Leahy and Schumer to be re-elected, campaign operatives will have to conceal their cover up of the documentary evidence of Judge Wesley’s corruption as a New York Court of Appeals judge and their facilitating role in my arrest. Certainly, if Vermont and New York voters are informed that Vermont and New York are part of the Second Circuit – and that Senators Leahy and Schumer have been ready to endanger their welfare by seating a documentably corrupt Judge Wesley on its Court of Appeals – they will rightfully throw them from the Senate.

Finally, since New York’s other Democratic Senator, Hillary Rodham Clinton, will doubtlessly be fundraising for the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and otherwise supporting Democratic Senatorial candidates, mention must be made of her pivotal role as a Home-State Senator with Senator Schumer in covering up Judge

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help”<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>2</sup> Reflecting this knowledge is my May 21<sup>st</sup> memoranda to Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Hatch and Ranking Member Leahy and to Capitol Police -- posted on CJA’s website: [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org). As requested by my May 22<sup>nd</sup> letter to Chairman Hatch and Ranking Member Leahy – also posted – this May 21<sup>st</sup> correspondence was to be provided to each and every member of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Wesley's documented corruption on New York's highest state court in complete disregard for the rights and welfare of her New York constituents. Indeed, it was Senator Clinton's office that, without cause, maliciously contacted Capitol Police on May 21st, setting in motion the train of events leading to my wholly unjustified arrest and overnight incarceration<sup>3</sup>.

Should you require any further verification of my home address over and beyond the enclosed mailed envelope and its enclosed solicitation<sup>4</sup>, you may be assured of my complete cooperation.

Again, thank you for your kindness.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator  
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

**P.S.** Lest you conclude from the enclosed mailed solicitation that I am a Democrat, I am not. Nor am I a Republican. I know better than to affiliate with either party. As resoundingly demonstrated by the events leading up to my arrest and incarceration, the two major political parties are collusive partners in corrupting the processes of government and the People's legitimate voice.

Enclosure

cc: See next page

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<sup>3</sup> The facts establishing this without-cause malicious behavior by Home-State Senator Clinton's office are summarized by my May 21<sup>st</sup> letter to Home-State Senator Schumer, posted on CJA's website.

<sup>4</sup> Please retain these with this letter in my file.

**cc: Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democratic Member, Senate Judiciary Committee**  
**Senator Patrick J. Leahy, Ranking Democrat, Senate Judiciary Committee**  
**Senator Charles E. Schumer, Ranking Democrat, Subcommittee on Administrative**  
**Oversight and the Courts**  
**Senator Russell D. Feingold, Democratic Member, Senate Judiciary Committee**  
**Senator John Edwards, Democratic Member, Senate Judiciary Committee**  
**Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton, Democratic Home-State Senator**

**President George W. Bush**  
**Senator Orrin G. Hatch, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee**  
**New York Court of Appeals Judge Richard C. Wesley**  
**P. Kevin Castel, Esq.**  
**The Press**

————— Senator Edward M. Kennedy —————

Ms. Elena Sassower  
16 Lake St Apt 2C  
White Plains, NY 10603-3837

Dear Ms. Elena Sassower,

When I was first elected to the United States Senate -- in 1962 -- President Kennedy was in the White House.

I've seen many different things since then. But never -- in all those years -- have I seen anything like what is going on in this country right now.

Today, the extreme right wing is riding high -- but they are riding for a fall.

On issue after issue, right-wing true believers dominate the Administration, the Senate and the House. And to carry out their rigid ideology, they are playing reckless games with the future of our country.

When President Clinton left office, the federal budget showed a very healthy surplus -- according to estimates by the Congressional Budget Office, it was likely to stay that way for at least the next ten years.

Think about that.

A little over two years ago, we were looking forward to using these federal budget surpluses to do great things for our country -- to wipe out the national debt, guarantee the future of Social Security and Medicare, fund fair tax cuts for average Americans, and generous prescription drug benefits for senior citizens, and meet a wide range of other major priorities.

And now?

Now we face massive deficits. Deficits so severe and debilitating that they could cripple our economy for decades to come.

According to a recent report by the respected Committee for Economic Development, these deficits are a catastrophe-in-the-making. Unless we act now to control them, says the Committee, we'll soon see the day when, "for the first time in this country's history, most Americans could no longer expect their children and grandchildren to have higher living standards than their own."

I haven't even touched in this letter on what the right wing has in mind for the courts -- especially, the Supreme Court.

I haven't mentioned the Administration's broken promise of funding to pay for school reform -- leaving millions of school children to wonder why they have been left behind.

I haven't pointed out that the hard-won civil rights of women and minorities are all under assault today.

I haven't talked about the Administration's plans to privatize Social Security, or to eliminate taxes on dividends, or turn Medicare into a giant HMO.

Do I need to go on? I don't think so.

You know as well as I what is happening -- and it will keep happening unless we do something about it, and start doing it now.

All it takes is a Democratic Senate to stop the slide to the right and turn things around.

In order to regain our majority in the Senate, Democrats need a net gain of two seats in the '04 election. If we elect a Democratic President, we need a gain of only one seat, because we'll have a Democratic Vice President who will break a 50-50 tie in the Senate in our favor.

That's the bare minimum gain we need in '04. But the way things are going, there's a good chance we can win more seats than that -- a whole lot more. Already, we have a number of very good possibilities -- and others that could break our way too!

Democrats not only can prevail in '04 -- we must prevail.

Do you agree? I hope that you do. I hope that you see as I do that the outcome of next year's struggle for the Senate will have an immense impact on the future of our country.

That's why I am asking you right now to write the most generous check you can to the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee. Please send \$250 if you can -- or \$100, \$50 or even \$35.

The DSCC is an indispensable resource for our candidates -- for everything from issues research to the best campaign strategies. For Democrats, the DSCC is a command post -- a nerve center through which flows all the latest information about issues and trends and opportunities for our Senate candidates.



**Democratic Senators and Senate candidates nationwide need help from the DSCC – and you – to run strong winning campaigns, including ...**

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**Barbara Boxer (California)** – Republicans are determined to defeat this forceful champion of environmental protection, reproductive rights, and basic human rights for women across the country and around the world. Having disclosed wasteful Pentagon spending and led the fight against AIDS, Senator Boxer is a top target of Defense Department contractors and ultra conservative groups alike. Senator Boxer led the effort on the Senate floor to defeat a reckless proposal to drill for oil in the Alaskan National Wildlife Refuge.

**Tom Daschle (South Dakota)** – The Bush Administration's worst nightmare and American families' best friend, Democratic Senate Leader Daschle works tirelessly to put the priorities of America first in a Senate currently ruled by big money special interests.

**Russ Feingold (Wisconsin)** – Senator Feingold, a maverick from the Midwest, stands firmly for working Americans. In his principled stands he has often stood alone. Whether leading the charge for quality health care for all Americans, championing campaign finance reform, or protecting civil liberties, he speaks for those who have no voice in Washington.

**Blanche Lincoln (Arkansas)** – Senator Lincoln is a perfect fit for the state of Arkansas and an excellent member of the Democratic Caucus. Senator Lincoln is a strong supporter of our nation's veterans, a fighter for jobs and economic opportunity, and is a leading advocate for our seniors.

**Harry Reid (Nevada)** – The Senate's second ranking Democrat, Senator Reid is a leader with integrity and guts on issues ranging from patient's rights, women's health care and investing in education. From opposing drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to saying no to nuclear waste, he is one of the nations foremost environmentalists – and a target of special interests like the nuclear power industry and HMOs.

**Chuck Schumer (New York)** – Senator Schumer's pioneering efforts to reduce gun violence and end HMO profiteering make him a top target for the National Rifle Association and insurance industry PACs – a one-two punch best countered by strong support from the DSCC.



Here's why the Senate Republicans are worried about what you'll do today!

To: Senator Edward M. Kennedy

From: Ms. Elena Sassower  
16 Lake St Apt 2C  
White Plains, NY 10603-3837

Democratic Senatorial  
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Ms. Elena Sassower:

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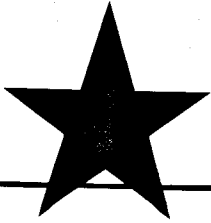
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