Subject: Re: CJA

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Dear Ms. Sassower,

I regret that I cannot provide you any comfort. The accusations you make are very serious, but do not remotely connect to any evidence you have provided in your correspondence. To suggest that any paper that chooses not to cover what you wish it to cover is therefore suppressing the news because of conflict of interest is to suggest that any complaint at all requires coverage.

I do not accept this premise, nor am I convinced by the evidence you present that The Times has erred.

Yours sincerely,
Daniel Okrent
Public Editor
N.B. All opinions expressed here, unless otherwise attributed, are solely my own