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HI Professor Turley. This is Elena Sassower, Coordinator of the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA). We met following your inspiring presentation last February at the Yale Conference on "Rabellious Lawyering".

Perhaps you will recall that we briefly talked about your experience with a judicial misconduct complaint, filed under 372(c) — and the fact that CJA collects copies of judicial misconduct complaints — including 372(c) complaints. We would greatly appreciate having a copy of the complaint you described — or any others that you have. I know how busy you are — because I have seen you rather frequently on T.V. providing commentary, which is invariably interesting and incisive. However, perhaps with the Supreme Court in recess, the President out of the country, and the full before the 4th of July weekend, you will have a bit of time to access the complaint and send it to us — together with the Chief Judge's order, the petition for review, the Circuit Council's order, etc.

On the subject of 372(c), CJA recently presented a statement to the House Judiciary Committee in conjunction with its June 11th "oversight" hearing on the federal judiciary. Because of its public interest importance — chronicling the House Judiciary Committee's complete abdication of responsibilities of oversight over complaints of judicial misconduct, whether filed with the federal judiciary under 372(c), or filed directly with the Committee — a copy is attached. Please, please put your media connections to good use — and bring the scandalous state of affairs which our statement destibes to the attention of journalists able to follow it up with an investigative story. After you read it, I'm sure you'll agree it is a MAJOR story.

You will note that our statement incorporates our published article, "Without Merit: The Empty Promise of Judicial Discipline" — a copy of which I gave you, in hand, when we met. Should you wish me to e-mail a copy, i'd be more than happy to do so. Finally, our statement also refers to our April 24th testimony before the Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals. That statement, itself worthy of media follow-up, can be accessed on the Commission's website: www.app.comm.uscourts.gov'.

Should you have any questions, please don't heeltate to call (914-421-1200). CJA's malling address is: Box 69, Gedney Station, White Plaine, New York 10605-0069.

Thank you and regards. Elena.