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Ms. Karen K. Siegel  
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Washington, D.C. 20544

Re Peckham Statement for September 6


Dear Karen:

The following are my comments:

1. The idea of "local legal culture" on page 8 is correct and is well stated.
2. I believe that the first line on page 19 is cumbersome and would substitute something like this - "In some cases, we firmly believe".
3. The addition on page 24 discussing judicial accountability is well done. As continued on page 25, the sentence beginning on line 7 of page 25 with "we do not" could be simplified and still express the same thought. I think we should emphasize not only "long hours" but also "total dedication" in this accountability discussion.

I think the statement is well done and I gladly concur in it.

Sincerely,

  
John F. Nangle

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