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Abel J. Mattos
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Dear Abel:

Please find enclosed two copies of the Annual Report of the Civil Justice Reform Act Advisory Group of the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York.

The Northern District of New York adopted its CJRA Plan on May 14, 1993 and the court immediately began to operate under the provisions of the plan. However, even though the plan was available at the offices of the court throughout our district, the plan was not formally published to the bar and public until the new local rules were distributed in July of 1994. Our CJRA committee elected to allow for a period of time after publication of the new local rules which contained the Cost and Delay Reduction Plan before completing its first assessment of the plan.

The advisory group has continued to work closely with the court on development of new local rules, ADR programs and a continuing study of prisoner civil rights litigation in the district.

Please let me know if you should need any additional information from our district.

Very truly yours,

Lawrence K. Baerman
Chief Deputy Clerk

cc. George A. Ray, Clerk of Court