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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST,

APPEAL No. 05-2411

Monday, August 15, 2005

VIA USPS CERTIFIED FIRST-CLASS MAIL ONLY

Ms. Priscilla Jones
Chief, Administrative Staff
Office of Information and Privacy
United States Department of Justice
Flag Building, Suite 570
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

**RE: DOJ'S COURTESY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, TIMING ESTIMATES,
AND APPEAL'S TIME OF DOJ ACCEPTANCE**

Dear Ms. Jones:

I have received your acknowledgement dated August 4, 2005. First, then, I thank you for that courtesy and offer all considerations I can return.

I also write today to ask where in the appellate decisional stack your Office stands (for instance, the three most recent appeal numbers decided), so I can understand how long a delay we face. I also ask your Office's best estimate of wait time.

As regards any possible appellate service and timing issues, I respectfully submit hereafter a true copy of the delivery confirmation notice from the United States Postal Service ("USPS"), as requested last Thursday from <http://www.usps.gov/>. As shown, FOIA Appeal No. 05-2411 was accepted by the Department of Justice's agent M.W. Parris at 11:53 a.m., July 27, 2005. I understand the interdepartmental delays that plague every institution's central mail room, and trust this delivery verification from another Federal Executive cures any timing questions your staff might otherwise raise.

Thank you for your time and ongoing, consideration, Ms. Jones. I look forward to the Justice Department's response, and remain ever available for your questions and concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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