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RE: GRAVES v. USA, No. 93 C 6722

Dear Mr. Smith:

I am writing to advise you that the case of <u>Graves v. United States of America</u>, in which you agreed to act as a testifying expert witness, has settled. There will, therefore, be no need for you to appear and testify at trial or otherwise assist in this matter.

As you know, your expertise was very important and helpful in bringing about a successful resolution of this case. I found you to be not only highly qualified, but articulate, sincere and a joy to work with. Your efforts on behalf of my client and I were instrumental in achieving the most preeminent goal of our legal system — justice. You should be proud to have undertaken this endeavor and I hope you will remain committed to participating in these matters when you are called upon by plaintiffs in the future.

Once again, thank you for your help.

Sincerely yours,

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