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Re: Correspondence Regarding Grievance of Atty. Lester Pines

Dear Atty. Sommers:

I am the Intake Investigator assigned for the preliminary evaluation of Atty. Pines' grievance. I have enclosed a copy of the written grievance for your review. Attorney Pines alleges that your January 4, 2007, letter to the Supreme Court Justices constitutes an ex-parte communication and that a press release issued February 5, 2007, violates that attorney's oath.

Please take this opportunity to review Atty. Pines' concerns, as well as your own records, before providing a response. I will expect a response by Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. I can be reached with any questions or concerns at (877) 315-6941, ext. 200. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Jonathan Zeisser Intake Investigator