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Dear Ms. Smith:

We have recently been retained to represent the respondents in the above-captioned matter. In order to prepare a response, we request a twenty (20) day extension to submit a responsive brief. This extension is requested in order that we may become familiar with the matter, conduct the necessary research and consult with our clients. We will forward to you an executed designation of counsel shortly.

Accordingly, we request an extension until October 13, 1998.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Benjamin L. Ginsberg
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