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Re: MUR 4953
The Honorable Thomas M. Davis III

Dear Mr. Noble:

This is a request for an extension of time for the Honorable Thomas M. Davis III to respond to the complaint in the above-captioned Matter Under Review ("MUR").

On December 20, 1999, Congressman Davis received notification from the Federal Election Commission (the "Commission") of the complaint filed by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. This extension is needed because the complaint was received over the holiday season. We need additional time to respond thoroughly. Therefore, we request a twenty (20) day extension of time until January 24, 2000.

Also, please find enclosed a Designation of Counsel authorizing us to act on Congressman Davis' behalf in connection with this MUR.

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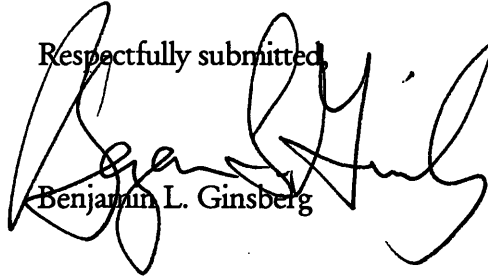
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Thank you for considering this request for an extension of time. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure

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STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

MUR 4953

NAME OF COUNSEL: Benjamin L. Ginsburg

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The above-named individual is hereby designated as my
counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other
communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before
the Commission.

JAN 3, 2000

Date

Tom Davis

Signature

RESPONDENT'S NAME: Tom Davis, Chairman

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