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VIA COURIER

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Re: MUR 5094

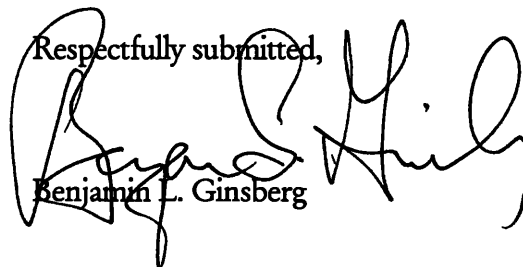
Dear Mr. Jordan:

This letter requests an extension of time to respond to the letter from the Federal Election Commission (the "Commission") notifying our client, the Honorable John Thrasher, of a complaint filed against it in the above-referenced Matter Under Review ("MUR"). Enclosed is a Designation of Counsel Form.

Speaker Thrasher received the Commission's letter on September 22, 2000. The current due date is October 7, 2000. We respectfully request a 45 day extension, or until November 21, 2000, to respond to this complaint. Since the November general election occurs in a matter of weeks, the extension will provide the Speaker Thrasher with an opportunity to review its records and provide the Commission with an appropriate response in a comprehensive and orderly manner.

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,


Benjamin L. Ginsberg

Enclosure: Designation of Counsel Form

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

MUR _____

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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.

09/29/2000
Date
SignatureRESPONDENT'S NAME: John Thrasher

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