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Mr. Gabriel B. Eber, Staff Counsel American Civil Liberties Union Foundation National Prison Project 915 15<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20005-2112

Dear Mr. Eber,

Director James C. Duff has forwarded to me your recent letter regarding the hourly private attorney compensation rates authorized for representation provided under the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.

Thank you for your suggestions about how to make information about CJA compensation rates more accessible to practitioners who represent clients under the Prison Litigation Reform Act. We will consider your recommendations carefully in deciding where and how to best publicize the relevant hourly CJA rates funded by Congress, as well as those authorized by the Judicial Conference.

I am pleased that you have received responsive assistance from our office about these matters in the past and encourage you to continue to contact us with questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Theodore J. Lidz

cc: James C. Duff