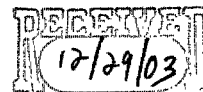


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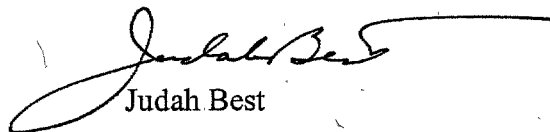
Re: January 26, 2004 Hearing on Proposed Appellate Rule 32.1

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I ask to be permitted to testify at the hearing of the Advisory Committee on Appellate Rules in Washington, D.C. on January 26, 2004. I will testify respecting proposed Fed. R. App. P. 32.1, and will offer my testimony on behalf of the Section of Litigation of the American Bar Association.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,



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