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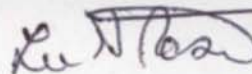
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Dear Mr. Malamud:

Thank you for the materials you provided on personal identifiers in appellate opinions. It is enormously helpful to have the benefit of the empirical research that you have done. As you know, the Judicial Conference Rules Committees and the Committee on Court Administration and Case Management have implemented the E-Government Act requirements by developing rules and procedures to protect personal identifiers from being included in court filings, particularly those that are remotely accessible electronically. We are continuing to work to ensure that this implementation is effective and efficient. I hope you will keep us informed about your ongoing work.

I am sending a copy of your materials to Judge Carl Stewart, Chair of the Appellate Rules Committee, as well. Thank you for your commitment to improving the court system.

Very truly yours,



Lee H. Rosenthal

cc: The Hon. Carl Stewart
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