## **EXHIBIT 18**

United States District Court for the District of Columbia Mashington, D.C. 20001

Chambers of Chief Indge Rouce C. Lamberth United States District Indge

January 28, 2009

Mr. Carl Malamud President & CEO Public. Resource.Org 1005 Gravenstein Highway North Sebastopol, CA 95472

Dear Mr. Malamud,

This is in response to the your December 30, 2008 letter regarding the audit your organization conducted of our Court's database. Our Clerk's Office confirmed that the documents you cited included social security numbers that should have been redacted by counsel prior to filing. Those documents are no longer available for public viewing. Counsel for the parties have been notified to file redacted documents that are in compliance with the E-Government Act.

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. We appreciate your interest in our Court.

Sincerely,

Royce C. Lamberth

Chief Judge