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Honorable Marc T. Treadwell United States District Judge Middle District of Georgia Post Office Box 65 Macon, Georgia 31202

RE: Supplemental authority regarding the Government's Response in Opposition to the Petition of Anthony S. Pitch; Misc. No. 5:14-MC-00002-MTT

Dear Judge Treadwell:

During argument at the hearing in the above matter this morning, I referenced having seen a decision addressing the issue that the petition to unseal Grand Jury testimony could not itself be "the judicial proceeding" in which that testimony is "…needed to avoid a possible injustice in another judicial proceeding…" as required by <u>United States v. Aisenberg</u>, 358 F.3d 1327, 1348 (11th Cir. 2004) (quoting <u>Douglas Oil Co. v. Petrol Stops Northwest et al.</u>, 441 U.S. 211 (1979).

The case to which I was referring is <u>In re Biaggi</u>, 478 F.2d 489, 492 (2nd Cir. 1973), which states that "[O]bviously the permission to disclose for use in connection with a 'judicial proceeding' does not encompass a proceeding instituted solely for the purpose of accomplishing disclosure." This language is also cited at page two of former Attorney General Holder's letter to the Advisory Committee on the Criminal Rules dated October 18, 2011, a copy of which was provided to Your Honor at this morning's hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the within and foregoing Government's Response in Opposition to the Petition of Anthony S. Pitch with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the counsel of record.

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