

The New York Times Company et al v. Federal Bureau of Investigation

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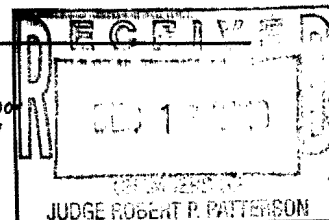
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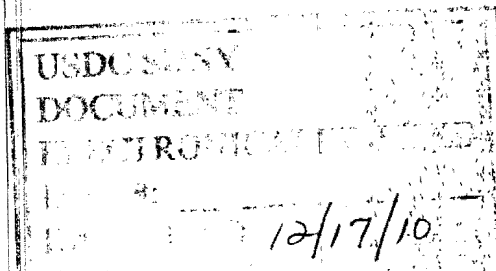
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December 16, 2010

BY FACSIMILE

The Honorable Robert P. Patterson, Jr.
United States District Judge
United States District Courthouse
500 Pearl Street, Room 2550
New York, NY 10007



Re: New York Times v. FBI, 10 Civ 7920 (RPP)

Dear Judge Patterson:

This Office represents the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") in the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") action brought by plaintiffs the New York Times Company and Charles Savage. I am writing on behalf of FBI, and with plaintiff's consent, to request a second four-week extension of time to respond to the complaint. With that extension the FBI's response to the complaint would be due on or before January 14, 2011.

This Office was served with a copy of the summons and complaint on October 20, 2010, and on November 17, 2010, the Court granted the FBI a four-week extension to respond to the complaint. With that extension the FBI's response to the complaint is due tomorrow, December 17, 2010. Although the parties were not able to resolve all of the issues in this action during the first four-week extension, during that time the FBI released hundreds of pages of documents to plaintiffs, and expects to send a release of hundreds of additional pages of documents to plaintiff tomorrow. The FBI would use the requested second extension to continue processing the FOIA requests that are at issue in this action in the hopes of resolving the outstanding issues in this action.

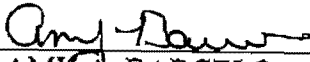
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Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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