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MESSAGE: Re: Bollica v. Coats

Please see attached letter.

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Via facsimile (813) 223-7961

Morris Weinberg, Esquire  
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Re: Bollea v. Coats

Dear Mr. Weinberg:

I appreciate neither the tone nor the content of your July 31, 2008 letter, and would appreciate it if you would discontinue your personal and professional attacks on me. The Sheriff's interest in this case is to insure that we are appropriately handling this class of documents under the law. For us, this is not solely about Mr. Bollea.

That being said, you have misinterpreted the purpose of my letter. I did not unilaterally set a hearing on any matter. I simply advised everyone of the judge's immediate availability, being mindful that there were greater interests related to the resolution of this issue. Because, during the course of this litigation, this office has dealt extensively with you, Maegen Luka, and Lee Fugate from your office, we do not believe that it is inappropriate to suggest an immediate hearing where only one of the several attorneys representing Mr. Bollea are unavailable. However, if you are representing to me, as an officer of the court, that no one in your office, other than you, is appropriate to handle such a hearing on behalf of Mr. Bollea, then we will attempt to obtain the first available hearing time upon your return. We would appreciate your response today, so we can advise the Court accordingly concerning the hearing time currently being held.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jaime Eagan".

Jaime Eagan

Associate General Counsel

cc: A.J. Barranco  
Erik Matheney  
John Thacker  
Susan Tillotson-Bunch