

United States District Court  
for the District of Columbia  
Washington, DC 20001

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Chambers of  
Royce C. Lamberth  
United States District Judge

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Dear Jeffrey:

I recently met with Carolyn Lerner, who gave me an update on the Department of Corrections' implementation of the Consent Decree in the *Neal v. Department of Corrections* case. Ms. Lerner informed me that from the time the Office of the Special Inspector (OSI) was established in 2002, Piper Rudnick lawyers have been participating in the OSI's sexual harassment training program by regularly conducting *pro bono* training sessions. Ms. Lerner commended the firm for its commitment, and I want to extend my praise, as well.

I am unaware of any other law firm that, after litigating against a government agency -- or any other employer -- has then gone on to assist that employer in fulfilling its obligations under a Consent Decree. Piper Rudnick's sustained *pro bono* commitment to helping the Department of Corrections is worthy of the highest commendation, and is in keeping with the sterling reputation you and your firm have established with this Court..

Please extend my good wishes to the lawyers in your firm who are providing the sexual harassment training, and my congratulations on a job well done.

Sincerely,

  
ROYCE C. LAMBERTH