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DAY Wednesday DATE October 13, 1993

TIME 10:30 a.m. LOCATION Suite 1060

SUBJECT Meeting with Legal Action Center's Members

PARTICIPANTS:

Please see highlighted information on the enclosed material.

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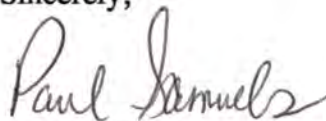
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AIDS Policy Coordinator
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Dear Ms. Gebbie:

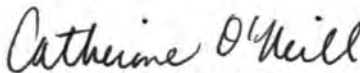
We are writing on behalf of all who attended our recent meeting to thank you for taking the time to discuss drug and alcohol-related HIV/AIDS issues. Your recognition of the integral relationship between drug and alcohol use and HIV/AIDS is vital to the development of an effective prevention and treatment strategy.

We appreciate your support and advocacy, and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Paul N. Samuels
Director/President



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Executive Vice President and
Director for HIV/AIDS Projects



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Retina Holmes
AIDS Policy Office
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. Holmes:

I am writing to provide information about the issues the Legal Action Center seeks to discuss with Ms. Gebbie at our meeting of October 13, 1993 at 10:30 a.m.

The Legal Action Center is the only national public policy and law organization whose mission is to address the twin epidemics of AIDS and drug and alcohol addiction. The Center has offices in New York City and Washington D.C. and focuses on AIDS issues from the perspective of individuals with drug and alcohol problems and the community based drug and alcohol treatment programs that serve these individuals. We work on federal and New York State AIDS and drug policy, provide direct legal services to individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS in New York, and provide technical assistance on many AIDS-related issues to health and human service providers around the country.

The following staff members will attend the meeting: Paul Samuels, Director/President; Catherine O'Neill, Executive Vice President and Director of HIV/AIDS Projects; Ellen Weber, Co-Director of National Policy; and Kathryn Boockvar, National Policy Associate. In addition, Harlon Dalton, a member of the former National AIDS Commission and member of the Center's Board of Directors, also hopes to attend.

We are interested in discussing three topics. First, we are very interested in learning about the work that the AIDS Policy Office is doing to address the substance abuse link with HIV disease and specific initiatives that will address this ever growing sector of the epidemic. Second, we would like to describe the work we have been doing on (1) HIV prevention activities directed to drug users, (2) efforts to integrate AIDS and addiction services, and (3) policy issues raised by individuals with drug and alcohol problems and HIV disease, so that we can provide assistance to the AIDS Policy Office staff. Finally, we

would like to discuss the Center's efforts to dramatically expand drug and alcohol treatment services as a primary HIV prevention tool and request Ms. Gebbie's assistance and advice in this area.

Thank you for arranging this meeting. If you need additional information please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ellen Weber".

Ellen M. Weber
Co-Director of National Policy