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Dear Mr. Masnick:

This letter is in follow up to our letter dated January 15, 2015 (sent to you via e-mail on January 16, 2015), and our continuing e-mail communications.

In response to your January 9, 2015, request for e-mails between this office and the law firm Jenner & Block, all documents responsive to your request constitute attorney work product pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 25-1-102, attorney-client communications pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 25-61-11, and/or investigative reports pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 25-61-3(f).

In response to your request for e-mails between this office and the Motion Picture Association of America or the Digital Citizens Alliance, we estimate it will take our IT department five hours to conduct searches for e-mails responsive to your request. The hourly figure for the lowest paid employee able and available to do this work is \$30.62, for a total of \$153.10.

The documents will then have to be reviewed to determine if they fall under the definition of "public records" as defined by Miss. Code Ann. § 25-61-3(b), and if they are otherwise exempt from the Public Records Act. At this time, a rough estimate of the amount of time to review the requested records is thirty hours. At \$65 per hour, the total, conservative estimate to review your request is \$1,950. Pursuant to statute, these total estimated costs of \$2,103.10 must be paid in advance. We will revise the estimate as necessary after the search is completed and we have a better idea of how many documents must be reviewed. Of course, if we are able to fulfill your request for less than the estimate, then we will refund the difference to you.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or if you would like to discuss options for narrowing the search parameters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'MJo Woods', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mary Jo Woods
Special Assistant Attorney General