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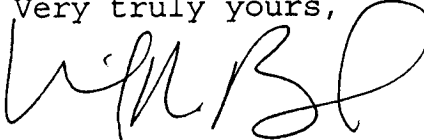
Dear Mr. Scanlan:

This is in response to your letter to the Attorney General, dated March 2, 1998, which was referred to my office on April 8, 1998, for a response. In your letter you noted recent developments pertinent to your earlier requests for an investigation of prosecutorial misconduct by the Office of Independent Counsel in United States of America v. Deborah Gore Dean, and for an investigation of the way Department of Justice officials handled your claims of that prosecutorial misconduct.

As I stated in my previous letter to you, dated April 8, 1998, the allegations you raise are outside the jurisdiction of my office. We normally do not review decisions already made by the Office of Professional Responsibility regarding allegations within its jurisdiction.

With regard to your recent Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests for information, if you believe that your requests for information are not being processed appropriately you should pursue the appeal process available to those seeking FOIA information. The Justice Department's Office of Information and Privacy may be able to provide further guidance to you regarding FOIA and the appeal process.

Nevertheless, thank you for bringing this additional information to our attention.

Very truly yours,


Michael R. Bromwich
Inspector General