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Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Lamar S. Smith
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Congressman Smith:

This responds to your inquiry concerning materials described in H. Res. 871, which would direct the Department of Justice to transmit to the House of Representatives documents received from, or referencing, the American Association for Justice or any of its members since January 20, 2009 that refer or relate to any recommendation regarding medical malpractice reform. The Department's Executive Secretariat, which is responsible for tracking all correspondence (Congressional and non-Congressional) directed to the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Associate Attorney General, or Office of Legislative Affairs, has conducted a search for such documents from January 1, 2009 to November 6, 2009, and reports that no such documents were found. In addition, the Civil Division conducted a similar search for correspondence directed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division and reports that no such documents were found.

We hope this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if we may be of assistance with this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ronald Weich".

Ronald Weich
Assistant Attorney General