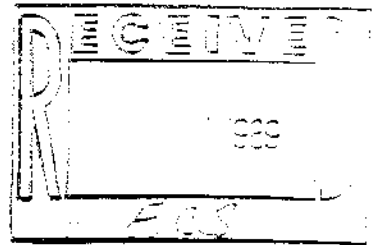


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Dear Mr. Black:

I am writing to commend one of your staff attorneys, Peter McGrath, about his performance in the case of United States v. Williams-Godfrey. This was a rather complicated trial with a vast amount of documentary and physical evidence. Mr. McGrath was masterful in his presentation to the jury and in his cross-examination of the defendant. He also made just about all the right tactical moves.

It was a real pleasure to have Mr. McGrath appear before me both in that trial and in others. He is a young lawyer with a great amount of dedication and ability. I fully expect that I will be reading wonderful things about him in the "big cases" he will undoubtedly be handling in the future.

Sincerely,

Eric S. Holder, Jr.  
Associate Judge

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