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*Mr. Pickle,  
My response was  
sent to you on January 25,  
please see enclosed.  
Sarah Thornton*

Sarah Alison Thornton, Clerk of Court  
John Joseph Moakley U.S. Courthouse  
1 Courthouse Way - Suite 2300  
Boston, MA 02210

**Re: *Three Angels Broadcasting Network, Inc. and Danny Lee Shelton v.  
Gailon Arthur Joy and Robert Pickle, Case No. 07-40098-RWZ;  
 Mishandling of Documents and Expropriation by Court Staff***

Ms. Thornton:

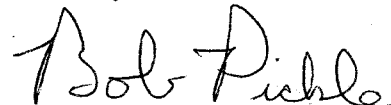
Thank you so much for your call on January 7 to inform me of your reception of our complaint. In that call you stated that it would take at least two weeks to conduct an investigation.

Since quite a bit of time has gone by, I thought I would write again and ask, Has the investigation concluded? Has it been determined:

- Why court staff told us in September and October 2008 that they could not locate anywhere the 11 to 12 pounds of copies of bank statements produced under seal by MidCountry Bank?
- Why no one notified us when those bank records were finally found?
- Why those records were surrendered to plaintiffs' counsel when the district judge had ordered them to be returned to MidCountry?
- Why those records were surrendered on December 16, 2008, and the receipt for such was entered on December 23, as if someone was trying to prevent us from realizing that the these records were part of the record on appeal?
- Why the receipt and accompanying docket text for the surrender of these records to plaintiffs' counsel were so ambiguous?

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,



Bob Pickle, *pro se*

Gailon Arthur Joy, *pro se*



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**Sarah Allison Thornton**  
CLERK OF COURT

January 25, 2010

Mr. Robert Pickle  
1354 County Highway 21  
Halstad, MN 56548

Re: *Three Angels Broadcasting Network, Inc., et al vs. Joy, et al.*, 07-40098 RWZ

Dear Mr. Pickle:

Your letter dated December 31, 2009 was received by me on January 4, 2010. You have complained that discovery documents were given to plaintiffs' counsel in violation of a court order, and that the records should have been given to the defendants in this matter. You state that the documents were "lost" for a time and not reflected on the docket. You have asked for an investigation.

The relevant proceedings with regard to the documents in question began with the subpoena issued by you that requested records of plaintiff held by MidCountry Bank in Minnesota. United States Magistrate Judge Arthur Bolan of the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota issued an Order after hearing (held on March 4, 2008) on plaintiff Shelton's Motion to Quash Subpoena (filed February 6, 2008 in the USDC MN, 0:08-mc-00007) that denied the Motion to Quash, ordered you to pay the costs of MidCountry's response to the subpoena, and ordered MidCountry to, "...send all documents falling within the scope of the subpoena under seal directly to United States Magistrate Judge Timothy Hillman..." at the federal courthouse in Worcester, MA.

The documents were delivered to the courthouse in Worcester on September 12, 2008. As the records were discovery documents, under seal and addressed to Judge Hillman, the documents were not reflected on the docket in this matter. At all times thereafter, Judge Hillman remained in possession of the documents until December 16, 2008.

On October 23, 2008 plaintiffs filed a Motion for Voluntary Dismissal and requested the return of the MidCountry Bank records. A hearing was held before District Judge Dennis Saylor on October 30, 2008. He granted the Motion for Dismissal and stated, "...any records that were delivered under seal and that are in the custody of the magistrate judge shall be returned to the party that produced those documents." An Order Dismissing the case was entered on November 3, 2008, in accordance with the October 30, 2008 Order.

Letter to Robert Pickle

January 25, 2010

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On December 16, 2008, a representative from the office of plaintiffs' counsel, Fierst, Pucci & Kane, LLP, signed a receipt for and was given the documents that had been in Judge Hillman's possession. This was done pursuant to Judge Saylor's Order of October 30, 2008 and entered on the docket (#160) of this case.

This investigation has revealed that the documents in question were handled appropriately and in accordance with court orders.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Allison Thornton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sarah Allison Thornton  
(617) 748-4020

cc: Judge Rya Zobel  
Judge F. Dennis Saylor  
Magistrate Judge Timothy Hillman