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ROGER J. MINER
U.S. CIRCUIT JUDGE
ALBANY, NEW YORK

October 18, 1991

The Honorable Roger J. Miner
United States Court of Appeals
for the Second Circuit
United States Courthouse
Albany, NY 12201

Dear Roger:

I am taking the liberty of submitting your excellent article -- "A Profession At Risk" -- to one of my best and dearest friends, Dean John W. Reed, who is currently the Dean of the University of Wayne School of Law. Previously, he was my next door neighbor in Ann Arbor, Michigan and we worked together for almost nine years at the University of Michigan. I am sure that John will share my enthusiasm for your speech, and might be able to overcome prevailing prejudice among law journals never to publish anything regardless of its merits which has ever been published before.

Your article deserves much wider distribution than the Trial Lawyers Quarterly published by The New York State Trial Lawyers Association. As I stated to John, it is probably read at most by two or three lawyers, who are now blind from trying to read that damn small type in which they economically set your splendid work.

This article deserves a better setting. I am certainly going to do my best to see that it receives it. I believe that John is our best hope since he is also the Editor of the INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF BARRISTERS QUARTERLY.

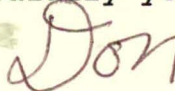
I am getting better as the doctors predicted, but not as quickly or as I would like. Unfortunately, I still become fatigued quite easily, although there has been no deterioration (nor improvement for that matter) in my mental process, I cannot work the unreasonable hours which you and I are used to working anymore. Since the heart attack occurred

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in June and these problems seemed to have stemmed from that time, I naturally attribute them all to the heart attack and not to advancing age.

With warmest personal regards and deepest affection,

Cordially yours,



E. Donald Shapiro
Consultant

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P.S. It took me all this time to realize what was missing in your resume. If one wants to be seriously considered for the United States Supreme Court, you must be involved in a good sex scandal. If you wish me to help you in this regard, please let me know and I will try to arrange something for both of us. It would be difficult work, but for the sake of the nation you must try.