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To: Members, S/C Subcommittee

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May 18, 1987

The Honorable Lawrence W. Pierce United States Circuit Judge United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit 2002 United States Courthouse Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Dear Judge Pierce:

Enclosed are the headlines for the posters. I plan to send them to the artist on Wednesday.

Very truly yours, PHYLIS SKLOOT BAMBERGER

Virginia Proposes three branched national government.

Secret debates begin.

May 30 - June 6, 1787

Debate continues:

Shall the large and small states have equal votes in the legislature?

June 7 - 13, 1787

New Jersey proposes to preserve the Confederation and States' powers

Rhode Island won't attend Convention.

June 15 - 16, 1787

New Jersey plan defeated Nation to be called the United States

Legislature debated

June 19-26, 1787

DEADLOCK! Will the States be equally represented in the legislature?

Dr. Franklin suggests prayer.

June 27 - July 3, 1787

FAILURE AT HAND!

Rancor between large and small States.

July 5 - 10, 1787

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THE CONNECTICUT COMPROMISE

Proportionate Representation in one chamber counting 3/5 of slaves Equal Representation in the other

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The Congress prohibits slavery in the North West Territory

July 12 - 18, 1787

Two Senators from each State.

Debate on ratification and election of the President.

July 20 - 24, 1787

Committee of Detail given 11 days to draft the Constitution.

July 26, 1787

Convention in recess.

Washington goes fishing and visits Valley Forge.

July 27 - August 6, 1787

Committee of Detail suprises Convention with 23 provisions.

Debate begins again.

August 10 - 14, 1787

Convention unofficially announces "we never once thought of a king."

Debate on powers of Congress.

August 17 - 21, 1787

Electors will chose President.

Constitution is Supreme Law of Land.

No prohibition on slavery for 20 years.

New states in the west.

August 22 - 28, 1787

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Ratification by special conventions of nine states.

Debate on the President.

August 30 - September 6, 1787

Executive, with Senate approval, to appoint judges.

Committee on style designated to prepare final document.

September 6 - 11, 1787

Committee of style completes work.

Twelve states unanimously approve.

500 copies of Constitution printed for signing.

Transmitted to Congress.

September 13 - 18, 1787

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