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ROGER J. MINER
U.S. CIRCUIT JUDGE
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Dear Judge:

Good news: Lori and I am engaged to be married. I'll keep you informed.

More news: As I mentioned at the brunch, I have been thinking of leaving Skadden. Firms of all sizes have been inviting me to interview, but I wisely have been declining the large firms. Indeed, I have an offer from a small firm (12 partners) -- Schreiber, Simmons, and a bunch of other names -- which has a diverse general commercial practice, with specialty in alcoholic beverages, among other areas. The pay is about one-half of my current (some would say inflated) salary, but the opportunity for growth and to practice as a "real" attorney is stellar. I'm inclined to accept this offer.

Finally, about your article: It is stupendous -- a very important work. The New York Law Journal front page is one thing, but I expect to see a write-up of it in the New York Times law section.

I do question, however, whether "sexual" deeds should factor into the equation. Indeed, the attached article from the New York State Bar Journal explores the romantic longings of Justice Holmes and questions whether his private life would prevent him from being confirmed by today's Senate.

Anyway, great article. I hope the house is going O.K. I'll speak with you soon.

