

Exhibit 1



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Re: United States v. Jon Burge

[REDACTED] and Court Docket Number: 08-CR-00846

Dear [REDACTED]:

Your name was forwarded to our office by law enforcement as a victim (or potential victim) in the above mentioned criminal case. We will continue to provide you with updated scheduling and event information as the case proceeds through the criminal justice system. The enclosed information provides instructions for accessing the Victim Notification System (VNS) Call Center and VNS web site.

Charges have been filed against defendant(s) Jon Burge. The lead prosecutor for this case is Jeffrey H. Cramer. The main charge is categorized as Civil Rights - Racial Violence, Including Hate Crimes.

Please disregard the above text stating Jeffrey Cramer is the lead attorney. The new attorney assigned to the case is David Weisman.

Documents pertaining to this case have been uploaded to the VNS website and will be available for your viewing within 24 hours from the date of this notification.

The Crime Victims' Rights Act gives victims of criminal offenses in Federal court certain rights, including: (1) The right to be reasonably protected from the accused; (2) The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of any public court proceeding, involving the crime, or of any release or escape of the accused; (3) The right not to be excluded from any such public court proceeding, unless the court, after receiving clear and convincing evidence, determines that testimony by the victim would be materially altered if the victim heard other testimony at that proceeding; (4) The right to be reasonably heard at any public proceeding in the district court involving release, plea, or sentencing; (5) The reasonable right to confer with the attorney for the Government in the case; (6) The right to full and timely restitution as provided in law; (7) The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay; and (8) The right to be treated with fairness and with respect for the victim's dignity and privacy.

Please be aware that many criminal cases are resolved by a plea agreement between the United States Attorney's Office and the defendant. You should also know that it is not unusual for a defendant to seek to negotiate a plea agreement shortly before a trial is scheduled to begin. Plea agreements can be made at any time and as late as the morning of trial, leaving little or no opportunity to provide notice to you of the date and time of the plea hearing. If the court schedules a plea hearing in this case, we will use our best efforts to notify you of available information as soon as practicable. If you want to inform the prosecutor of your views regarding potential plea agreements, or any other aspect of the case, please contact the prosecutor assigned to this case or me.

We will make our best efforts to ensure you are provided the rights described above. It is important to keep in mind that the defendant(s) are presumed innocent until proven guilty and that presumption requires both the Court and our office to take certain steps to ensure that justice is served. While our office cannot act as your attorney or provide you with legal advice, you can seek the advice of an attorney with respect to these rights or other related legal matters.

A status hearing is scheduled before Judge Joan Lefkow for April 8, 2010, 04:30 PM at Courtroom 1925 (JHL), U.S. Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn St., Chicago, IL, 60604 for defendant(s) Jon Burge. The purpose of this hearing is to determine if there are issues that the Court needs to address and to schedule any necessary future court dates.

The status hearing previously scheduled for defendant(s) Jon Burge on April 8, 2010, 04:30 PM at Courtroom 1925 (JHL), U.S. Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn St., Chicago, IL, 60604 has been cancelled. VNS will continue to provide you with updated case scheduling and event information.

The trial previously scheduled for defendant(s), Jon Burge on May 10, 2010, 09:30 AM at Courtroom 1925 (JHL), U.S. Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn St., Chicago, IL, 60604 has been rescheduled by the court. VNS will continue to provide you with updated case scheduling and event information.

A trial is scheduled before Judge Joan Lefkow on May 6, 2010, 10:00 AM at Courtroom 1925 (JHL), U.S. Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn St., Chicago, IL, 60604 for the case which involves defendant(s) Jon Burge.

A trial is scheduled before Judge Joan Lefkow on May 10, 2010, 09:30 AM at Courtroom 1925 (JHL), U.S. Courthouse, 219 South Dearborn St., Chicago, IL, 60604 for the case which involves defendant(s) Jon Burge.

Because of the Court's schedule, hearing dates could change on very short notice. If you plan on attending, you may want to call the VNS Call Center or check the web site to confirm the date and time. Please note, there is a 24-hour delay in information transfer to the web site.

The Victim Notification System (VNS) is designed to provide you with information regarding the case as it proceeds through the criminal justice system.

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In addition, you may use the Call Center or Internet to update your contact information and/or change your decision about participation in the notification program. If you update your contact information to include a current email address, VNS will send information to that email address. In order to continue to receive notifications, it is your responsibility to keep your contact information current.

You will use your Victim Identification Number [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] anytime you contact the Call Center and the first time you log on to the VNS web site. In addition, the first time you access the VNS Internet site, you will be prompted to enter your last name (or business name) as currently contained in VNS. The name you should enter is [REDACTED]

Remember, VNS is an automated system and cannot answer questions. If you have other questions which involve this matter, please contact this office at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

FELICE D. WEILER
LECC/Victim Witness Coordinator