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BY FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL

Ms. Alva E. Smith
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5492

Dear Ms. Smith:

I write to follow up on our telephone conversation yesterday. As I indicated, my firm has recently been retained as counsel in the above-referenced matter to Freedom, Inc and William Carson, as Treasurer (collectively, "Respondents"). A Designation of Counsel to that effect follows this letter.

I write to seek a further extension of time in which to respond to the complaint in the above-referenced MUR. I understand that Respondents' response is now due on Monday, September 6, 2004, which is Labor Day. Having only now been retained to represent Respondents, we require additional time to familiarize ourselves with the facts of the matter and to develop the information that would permit us to respond effectively on their behalf. Accordingly, we respectfully request that we be permitted to respond on or before Monday, September 20, 2004.

Please advise me as soon as possible regarding the requested extension. I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


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