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James (Jim) Leitner
1314 Texas Ave. Ste. 1419
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Re: SB 60

James (Jim) Leitner,

Please be advised that, effective November 15, 2005, Tex. Code Crim. P. art. 26.052(d) will require that lead counsel appointed to death penalty cases not have "been found by a federal or state court to have rendered ineffective assistance of counsel during the trial or appeal of any capital case."

In order to remain on Harris County's first chair capital list, therefore, you must complete the enclosed affidavit and return it to the address below by **November 15, 2005**.

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If you do not meet this requirement, your name will be removed from the list of attorneys who can be appointed as lead counsel in death penalty cases.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Sincerely,



Jack Thompson