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Dorothy M. Nelson, Judge

November 16, 1990

Hon. William W. Wilkins, Jr.
Chairman
United States Sentencing Commission
Suite 1400
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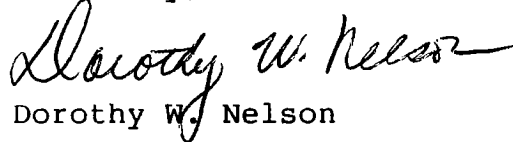
Dear Judge Wilkins,

In response to your letter of September 27, 1990 regarding U.S. Sentencing Commission Guidelines, may I first express appreciation for all your excellent work.

Since I do not now have the time to respond to your request in depth, I would like to state one major criticism. The mandatory minimum sentences have resulted in more injustice than any other kinds of sentences. Therefore, while I fully support your letter to Congressman Brooks, I would go one step beyond. I would suggest that Congress consider eliminating all mandatory minimum sentences.

With warmest appreciation for your work.

Sincerely,


Dorothy W. Nelson

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