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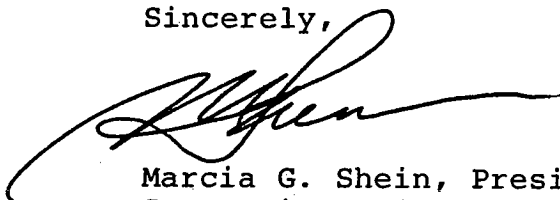
Dear Chairman Wilkins:

I am herein submitting an outline for the joint testimony I will be delivering with Mr. Herb Hoelter, Director of the National Center on Institutions and Alternatives, on July 15, 1986.

This testimony will be on behalf of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

If you have any questions during the course of our testimony, we have allowed for enough time in our presentations to answer same.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

NACDL Sentencing Alternatives

Testimony Outline

July 15, 1986

- I. The Need to Increase the Use of Alternatives to Incarceration in the Federal System
 - A. Societal Re-education
 - B. Prison Overcrowding
 - C. Social Benefits of Alternatives
- II. Overcrowded Prison Conditions Mandate Relief.
 - A. Federal Statistics from Bureau of Prisons
 - B. Scarcity of Prison Resources
- III. Security Rated Offenders Eligible for Alternatives
 - A. Eligible Offense and Offender Categories
 - B. Inappropriate Use of Incarceration
- IV. Alternative Punishment Options.
 - A. Community Service/Volunteer Services
 - B. House Detention
 - C. Fines/Restitution

IV.(continued)

D. Split Sentences

E. Alcohol/Drug Programs

F. Intensive Probation Supervision

G. Other

V. Research and Statistical Information

A. Cost Effectiveness Comparisons

B. Case Examples

VI. The Need for Judicial Flexibility and Sensibility

A. Fox Case Example

B. Presidential Quotation

C. The Myth of Deterrence