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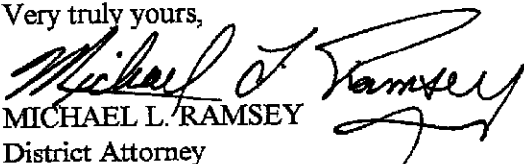
Ms. Cathy Catterson
Office of the Clerk
U.S. Court of Appeals
95 Seventh Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Angel McClary Raich, et al. V. John Ashcroft, et., No. 03-15481

Dear Ms. Catterson

The District Attorney of the County of Butte, pursuant to Circuit Advisory Committee Note to Rule 29-1, and, by the filing of this letter in lieu of a brief, hereby joins in the factual statements involving Appellant Diane Monson and legal arguments of Appellants, Angel McClary Raich and Diane Monson, and amici curiae, the State of California, the County of Alameda, and the City of Oakland in the above referenced appeal.

Very truly yours,


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