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P. O. Box 924427 Houston, Texas 77292-4427 May 22, 1989

Mr. James H. Lesar Attorney at Law 918 F Street, N.W., Room 509 Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Lesar:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated April 15, 1989, and received by our office on May 8, 1989.

A search of our indices to the central records system as maintained by the Houston Office located one instance where the subject of your request was mentioned in a file on another individual or organization. This reference consists of one page, a copy of which is enclosed. Excisions have been made in order to protect material which is exempt from disclosure pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552 as follows:

- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information
 - (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Additional searches will be conducted at the Houston Office regarding your request, although our experience has been that these searches usually reveal no new material other than what is normally retrieved through our initial search. However, we will advise you if new or additional material is surfaced.

If you desire, you may submit an appeal from any denial contained herein. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy (Attention: Office of Information and Privacy), United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, within thirty days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal". Please cite the name of the office to which your original request was directed.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew J. Duffin

Special Agent in Charge

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Principal Legal Adviser

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Re: PEPCY FORE AN: Unethical Law Practice

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A see ... (b)(1)(c) On November 14, 1941 Houston, Texas advised that PERCY FOREMAN, Lawyer, Shell Building, residence, 201? Sunset Blvd., Houston, Texas, took charge of her mother's estate, on Janruary 31, 1941. _____stated that she took her probate case to FOREMAN after recieving a political advertisement through the mail in which FOREMAN represented himself to be a very honest and capable man . She advised that FOREMAN would only accept the case on the condition that she give him a deed to one-half of her share in the property located at Orange, Texas. The deed was executed on the condition that he would settle the estate as soon as possible.

stated that she has several relatives who are in-(b)(7)(c)· trested in the estate and that her bother and sister have been dishonest in their handling of the estate proprty. She advised that MR. FORTMAN made her permanent administrix of the estate after she hounded him for about eight months. Sh e further advised that her brother had collected rents from the properties but later when asked to account for this money he stated that he did not have any knowledge of this matter. informed agent that she took this matter up with 17. FOPEMAY and at that time he advised her that this was a clear case of embezzelment. She stated however that at a later date her sister called upon FOPEMAN at a time when was in the Hospital and that when she again brought the matter of her brothers acts to his attention he advised her that he could do nothing, in that the statute of limitations had run on that matter. is of the opinion that her sister paid FORTAN to drop this line of inquiry. states that numerous persons have told her that they have been cheated by FOREMAN and she advised that the "Grievance Committee " of the Houston Bar informed her that

The writer is aware that PERCY FOREMAN is the same in included who is reported to be the man behing the vice- ring in Houston.

they have had a lot of complaints on this individual but that so far he has stayed just within the law and they have been unable to do any-

