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Dear Jim,

Just learned that Brinquier lost again today. The judge dressed them down for apparent harassment, gave them 30 days to make proper service, and, as I understand it, said they could withdraw their suit only with payment of costs and attorneys fees. This may be wrong, but it is my understanding. He told them they could not endlessly file the same suit after it was dismissed, and that case will not again go to state court. It is fixed now in Federal, where we want it, for there the case is res adjudicata. Those fools didn't even correct the typographical errors in filing, verbatim, the same case that was dismissed.

If the case is dismissed, I think I may have made the arrangements to be properly represented in a countersuit while I was there last week. It is both my intention and desire. I have heard nothing further about the possibility of a Thornley suit, but what I have heard is entirely consistent with what I had been told in N.C. and told you.

When I get the orders, I'll send you copies for the files.

I have heard nothing further about the Canyon matter.

Sincerely,

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