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Mr. Ben Henson
Executive Director
Appraisal Subcommittee
2000 K Street, N.W.
Suite 310
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Henson:

I strongly believe that citizens have a right and a responsibility to ensure that their government acts in accordance with its own laws. If government cannot follow the laws it creates, what example is being set for the citizens who must comply with the same laws?

Presently, I do not believe that you, your staff, or the Appraisal Subcommittee are adequately enforcing sections of Federal law relative to the ability of appraisers to travel from state-to-state to prepare appraisals in Federally related transactions. Based on a survey of my colleagues, as well as upon personal experience, it is clear that the ability to obtain Temporary Practice Permits in a number of states is being unreasonably and arbitrarily impeded by states that simply do not want to comply with Federal laws.

In my recent attempts to address this matter two things have become clear. First, you as the Executive Director, have no interest in even addressing the matter. Second, if I want to pursue this I am going to need a better understanding of the operations of your committee, of government in general, and of what steps I can take to reasonably pursue a resolution to my concerns.

Therefore, for the time being I am withdrawing and suspending the Freedom of Information Act request I previously submitted. This is not, however, the end of the process for me. As time goes on I will be researching and assessing my ability to further pursue this through various means including political, lobbying, administrative, legal, and public relations approaches.

Sincerely,



Robert K. Rickman, MAI

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