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VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Re: Commonwealth of Virginia v. George W. Huguely, IV/ Media Intervenors' Motion
to Modify January 31, 2012 Huguely Media Trial Plan to Allow Access to Trial
Exhibits

Dear Mr. Yates:

This is to respond the motion and notice of hearing in the above-referenced matter.

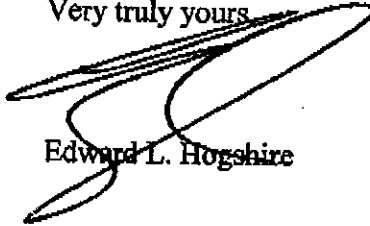
In reviewing your motion, I see that you are challenging not only the contents of the media plan but the process employed in its establishment and implementation. For example, you allege that "[i]n this January 31, 2012 plan changed the plan with regard to admitted evidence and, without any explanation or support, stated that no exhibits would be provided to the public or the press during or after the trial." Given the nature of the allegations in the motion, an evidentiary hearing is clearly required. At minimum, I will need to see transcripts of the several pre-trial hearings conducted in this case over the last few months in which the media plan was discussed. Since I am not going to permit further disruption of this on-going criminal trial, I will not conduct a hearing on this matter tomorrow as set forth in your notice.

In light of the foregoing, if you want the matter resolved promptly, I suggest you file a praecipe with the Clerk of Court for the civil docket call on February 21, 2012, with notice to

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counsel for the Commonwealth and the Defendant, so that a hearing date can be established to address the issues presented .

Very truly yours

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward L. Hogshire". The signature is stylized with several loops and a long horizontal stroke at the top.

Edward L. Hogshire

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