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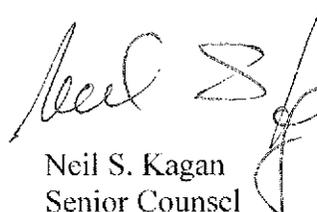
The Honorable Thomas J. Moyer  
Chief Justice  
Supreme Court of Ohio  
65 South Front Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431

Subject: *State ex rel. Merrill v. Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources*, No. 2009-1806

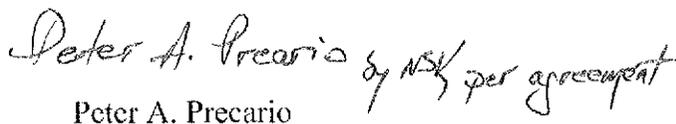
Dear Chief Justice Moyer:

Thank you for your letter of December 23, 2009, advising the National Wildlife Federation and Ohio Environmental Council of your personal circumstances relating to the above-styled case. The National Wildlife Federation and Ohio Environmental Council are confident that the circumstances you described will not affect your impartiality, and they therefore do not ask you to recuse yourself.

Sincerely,



Neil S. Kagan  
Senior Counsel

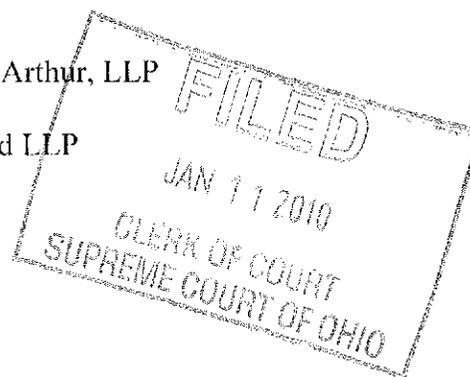


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