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Ms. Carol D. Billings
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Dear Ms. Billings:

I was delighted to have the opportunity to meet you this past week. As a booster of media and vendor neutral citation systems, I hold the "mother of the Louisiana citation scheme" in reverence.

I write for two reasons. First, I should like very much to "publish" a cluster of materials about the citation issue on our Internet server. You said that you had a full set of the documents surrounding the Louisiana scheme. If you could send me what you have, including the final standard, in digital form I will give this important material visibility that I presume WESTLAW will not.

Second, I enclose a few pages describing the small electronic publishing activity we've begun at Cornell. One of the exciting developments (exciting as I see it, threatening no doubt from some other perspective) is that the barriers are now so low that many more entities, both profit driven and not-for-profit, are finding roles in distributing and adding value to legal information. If there are similar ventures underway in Louisiana or elsewhere with whom we might collaborate or whom we might assist I hope you will feel free to pass this information along.

Sincerely,

Peter W. Martin