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To: MEREDITH FUCHS
From: Peter Galvin, Director of FOIA/PA Appeals
Subject: Your Appeal to the Solicitor of Labor under the Freedom
of Information Act and/or Privacy Act

Date of your letter: 1/28/03

Appeal #: 030083

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter appealing a denial by a Department of Labor official to provide you with information.

Your appeal is being processed.

The law generally requires that appeals be sequenced for action on a first-in first-out basis, consistent with the guidance provided by the courts. See Open America v. Watergate Special Prosecution Force, 547 F.2d 605 (D.C.Cir. 1976). You should be aware that the number of appeals currently awaiting review and decision is very substantial. We are authorized, however, to schedule for faster action those appeals which take only limited staff time -- i.e., that involve limited scope or complexity. Once we receive the records in your case from the agency involved, we will contact you to discuss scheduling action on your appeal.

Should you have any questions about the status of your appeal, have any additional information which you believe should be brought to our attention, or wish to limit or withdraw your appeal, please contact this office at the phone or address listed above.

*** To help us serve you well, please direct your inquiries to Phyllis Wiggins at the number noted above, and use our appeal reference number.**