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Executive Office for Immigration Review

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Roy Den Hollander 545 East 14th Street, 10D New York, NY 10009

Dear Mr. Hollander:

This letter is in response to your correspondence to the Attorney General, Jefferson B. Sessions III, of the United States Department of Justice, dated February 2017. Your letter has been referred the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), Office of the General Counsel, for response. In your letter, you expressed concern regarding an Immigration Judge's adjudication of a removal proceeding in 2012.

EOIR's primary mission is to adjudicate immigration cases by fairly, expeditiously, and uniformly interpreting and administering the Nation's immigration laws. Under delegated authority of the Attorney General, EOIR conducts immigration court proceedings in the 58 immigration courts located throughout the Nation. In addition, EOIR includes the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA), which is the highest administrative body for interpreting and applying immigration laws. The BIA has nationwide jurisdiction to hear appeals from certain decisions made by immigration judges and by district directors of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Most BIA decisions are subject to judicial review in the federal courts of appeals and, ultimately, by the United States Supreme Court. Throughout its daily operations, EOIR is committed to adjudicating immigration cases and rendering immigration decisions in a careful and timely manner, guided by the standards of due process and fair treatment for all parties involved.

Your letter will be sent to the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge, who has established a procedure that allows any person to file a complaint about the conduct of an Immigration Judge. Thank you again for your letter to the Attorney General and for your suggestions on how to improve the immigration system.

Sincerely,

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