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Re: G. Philip Lewis v. PERS
Docket No.: A-1093-02T2

Dear Phil:

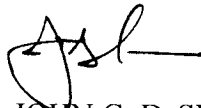
On or about December 23, 2002, I received the enclosed Statement of Items and Civil Case Information Statement filed by Deborah Allen, Deputy Attorney General. This was in response to our having filed a Notice of Appeal.

Then on Friday, December 27, 2002, I received a Scheduling Order, which I also enclose herein a copy for your review.

You will note our brief and appendix is due no later than January 31, 2003. Following your receipt of these items, please contact me as soon as possible so that we can discuss the approach we will take to our Appellate Brief. I would like to allow of a minimum of 7 to 10 days lead time when submitting our brief and appendix to the Appellate Division.

Many thanks for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Very truly yours,



JOHN G. DeSIMONE, ESQUIRE

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Enclosures