

ANNEX A:

09 Oct 2012: Decision of Court of Appeals for Armed Forces

From: DeCicco, William, CIV, USCAAF [mailto:bill.decicco@armfor.uscourts.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2012 5:55 PM
To: habeusmentem@mweb.co.za
Cc: Harris, Jackie, CIV, USCAAF
Subject: CCR v. U.S., # 12-8027/AR

Dear Lara Johnstone,

After reviewing the amicus brief and other documents you sent to the Court, the Judges have decided not to grant your request to proceed as an amicus curiae in the subject case. This means that said brief and documents will not be made part of the record and will not be considered by the Judges in the disposition of the case.

Sincerely,

William DeCicco
Clerk of the Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces

ANNEX B:

16 Oct 2012: USCAAF Decision Denying Reconsideration

From: DeCicco, William, CIV, USCAAF [mailto:bill.decicco@armfor.uscourts.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 16, 2012 7:16 PM
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Subject:

Dear Lara Johnstone,

The Judges of the Court have asked me to respond to you regarding the Petition for Reconsideration you sent to the Court on October 15. On October 9, I informed you that the Court would not consider your amicus brief and that it would not be made part of the record. The rejection of your brief was not done by order, decision or opinion of the Court, and therefore is not subject to reconsideration under Rule 31. Accordingly, and with the agreement of the Judges, your petition for reconsideration likewise will not be considered or be made part of the record.

Sincerely,
William DeCicco
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ANNEX C

22 Oct 2012: USCAAF Further Information

From: DeCicco, William, CIV, USCAAF [mailto:bill.decicco@armfor.uscourts.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 22, 2012 9:39 PM
To: habeusmentem@mweb.co.za
Subject: Center for Constitutional Rights, et al. v. United States and Colonel Denise Lind

Dear Lara Johnstone,

To recap, in late September, I forwarded your request to file a pro se amicus brief in the case of Center for Constitutional Rights, et al. v. United States and Colonel Denise Lind, to the Judges of the Court. After reviewing it, and exercising their discretion, the Judges noted you are not a party to the case and therefore cannot appear “pro se” and that you are not an attorney who would be able to file an amicus brief. Additionally, the Court noted your use of indecent language and the lack in your brief of any coherent argument to be allowed to file. Accordingly, they instructed me not to file it with the record and to return it to you. A court order was not issued. Because you filed electronically, there was no point in returning it to you, but I did inform you by email that the Judges decided not to grant your request to file the pro se amicus brief.

On October 15, you filed a petition for reconsideration, which I also forwarded to the Judges. They directed me to inform you that because there was no order issued in the first instance, there was no basis for a petition for reconsideration under Rule 31 (“A petition for reconsideration may be filed no later than 10 days after the date of any order, decision or opinion by the Court”). I informed you of this on October 16. Later the same day you replied, attached a letter to the Judges, and asked me to submit it to the Judges. Due to the profanity and intemperate language you used in the letter, I have not forwarded it to them and I will not do so.

You may now do what you feel is appropriate, but at this time the Court considers the matter closed.

Sincerely,

William DeCicco
Clerk of the Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces