

Jill Clark

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To: Jill Clark
Cc: Mark Anfinson
Subject: A Limited Time Offer

Dear Ms. Clark, (cc Mark Anfinson)

I am, as you are aware, still representing myself pro se in the Moore vs. Hoff matter.

I am writing to you to see if there is the possibility of working out an understanding about the scheduling of this matter or, indeed, a possible long term solution which would be short of a settlement, but may have the same effect. Allow me to explain and elaborate.

You are well aware of the fact I am, truly, a member of the National Guard and I would like to think you realize I have, in fact, been doing a lot more lately than just drilling once a month. I've been getting paid for active duty and working active duty hours. I have more weekends scheduled than just monthly drills, and these are three day weekends.

Given how things run in the military, whether I can get up my chain of command and procure that letter from my commander by 12:30 tomorrow is an open question. Naturally, I am trying to procure it. If I can't procure it by tomorrow I may end up procuring it late, and the effect of that on the trial would be, I think, to delay it despite the letter being produced late. The statute in question doesn't mention any time limits to procure such letters though I am trying to procure it without delay and to present it ASAP, regardless of whether that's before or after Thursday at 12:30.

However, the fact of my military service and other military matters of which you are not really aware presents an opportunity for both parties to find a way out of this.

I have, through informal channels, volunteered with a different guard unit in another state to fill any unfilled slot for which I may be qualified in order to be part of that unit's deployment overseas in the near future, in a difficult and dangerous environment. I have heard through these informal channels that I may be wanted to fill this open slot. I have even heard that a "request" has been made for my transfer, but I don't have anything solid to confirm this. I am trying to pull the strings to make this happen, every day. In fact, I have seriously plotted to pack up all my gear and drive to the state in question, present myself to the unit, and ask to come aboard.

Now, Ms. Clark, you are well aware that I really was training in South Carolina for three months and you are also aware of how little I managed to blog while in South Carolina. You're probably aware of how little I manage to blog while I'm out on the road truck driving. Something tells me it would be a "win win" situation for me and your client if I were given the opportunity

to chase my dream of deploying overseas. I will not agree to admit anything, or cease from doing anything, including blogging and filing things on my own behalf, etc...but the fact is if I had a clear shot at deploying, my historical pattern is that it is quite difficult to get much blogging done while in a work environment that involves trucking or soldiering. And you know this to be true.

If you will be agreeable to a continuance until March 15 while my military status is "sorted out" to prevent a sudden and unfortunate derailing of the trial, I will vigorously continue to pursue deployment with this other state unit. I am not sure what proof you would be willing to accept that I am actually doing that. How about gas receipts on the way to the state in question, and documentation posted on my blog about my trip? Maybe Anfinson can play some role as an intermediary to convince you this is a serious offer? I will forward him this email, though he is not my attorney.

I reserve the right to withdraw or modify this offer at any time. What I want--and I think it is possible we could both want this--is enough time to be free of the trial matters so I can vigorously pursue overseas deployment. I might add that all the work I am trying to get done with the National Guard, currently, makes me even more qualified to deploy.

In the hallway before trial, your client tried to talk to me and I told him to speak through his attorney. He said that we (he and I) were "cool" and he just wanted me to know that.

Therefore, if you would pass this on: Jerry, if we are cool, then don't stand in my way while I try to leave North Minneapolis and go to war. Tell your attorney to agree to this. And then it will be true that you and me, Jerry, we are cool.

Respectfully,

John Hoff