



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Eastern District of Tennessee

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H. Bruce Guyton
United States Magistrate Judge

April 6, 2011

Walter F. Fitzpatrick, III
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Dear Mr. Fitzpatrick:

I am returning, still sealed, the envelope you mailed to Helen Spears in the Clerk's Office, to be delivered to the Grand Jury foreperson.

A private citizen may go directly to the Federal Grand Jury and give it information only with the permission of the Court or the United States Attorney's Office. In re: New Haven Grand Jury, 604 F. Supp. 453, 456 (D. Conn. 1985).

It is the practice of this Court not to give such permission, but to yield to the discretion of the United States Attorney.

Therefore, any presentation you want to make to the Grand Jury must be with the prior consent and permission of the United States Attorney, a process which has not occurred in your situation.

Sincerely,

Bruce Guyton

H. Bruce Guyton

United States Magistrate Judge

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cc: Chuck Atchley, Assistant United States Attorney

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