



LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

MEMORANDUM

To: All LSC Program Directors
From: John A. Tull Director *John A. Tull*
OPEAR
Subject: Reporting of cases and matters pursuant to Sections 508(b) and (c) of HR 3019
Date: May 8, 1996

As you know, Congress passed and the President has signed into law HR 3019, the FY 1996 appropriations bill which includes funds for the Legal Services Corporation. Section 504(a) of HR 3019 provides that entities which receive funds from the Legal Services Corporation may not provide legal assistance in certain enumerated cases or matters or engage in certain enumerated activities. These provisions were effective immediately upon enactment, i.e. as of April 26, 1996.

Section 508(b) provides that recipients may continue to provide legal assistance for cases or matters begun prior to the date of enactment, in three of the areas proscribed by Section 504: class actions (Sec. 504(a)(7)), providing legal assistance for certain categories of aliens (Sec. 504(a)(11)), and litigation on behalf of prisoners (Sec. 504(a)(15)). Such assistance may be provided until August 1, 1996, at which time the restrictions in Section 504(a) take effect as to all cases or matters in the three above referenced areas. Section 508(c) requires that the Corporation submit a report to Congress every 60 days setting forth the status of such cases and matters.

In order for the Corporation to ensure compliance with Section 508(b) and to meet the reporting requirement in Section 508(c), we are requesting that each grantee submit information on the attached forms for all such cases or matters in which you are continuing to provide legal assistance.

All LSC Program Directors
Page 2
May 8, 1996

Date of submission of reporting forms

The Corporation's first report to Congress is due on June 26, 1996. Accordingly, we must receive the requested information from each program by no later than June 6, 1996.

Use of required forms

We are attaching to this memorandum the reporting forms for each of the three types of cases or matters: class actions (CO-1), certain categories of aliens (CO-2), and prisoner litigation (CO-3). In the event your program has no cases or matters in one or more of the three areas, you must so certify on the certification form (CO-4). Use of these forms is required. You may use additional copies of the forms, if necessary.

Explanation of forms

Class actions (CO-1), Prisoner litigation (CO-3): List separately each open case, with the name of the case and the court where it is filed. In describing the status of the case and plan to dispose of the case, you should include efforts to find substitute counsel. If necessary, you may attach additional pages to describe more fully the status or the plan to dispose of the case.

Aliens (CO-2): If the case is filed in court, list the case name. In other cases or matters, in order to protect client confidentiality, you may list your program's case number or other identifying number. If necessary, you may attach additional pages.

Certification (CO-4): This form must be used and completed in lieu of submission of one or more of the above forms, in the event your program does not have any cases or matters in one or more of the respective areas.

Please send the forms to the Office of Program Evaluation, Analysis and Review. If you have any questions about this report, you may contact Danilo Cardona at (202) 336-8870.

Thank you for your cooperation.

ALIENS - \$504 (a) (11)

RECIPIENT NAME: _____

RECIPIENT NUMBER: _____

DATE: _____

CASE NAME OR NUMBER	CSR CODE, BRIEF DESCRIPTION	STATUS OF CASE	EST. DATE COMPLETE OR DISPOSE	PLAN TO DISPOSE OF CASE

PRISONER LITIGATION-S 504(a)(15)

RECIPIENT NAME: _____

RECIPIENT NUMBER: _____

DATE: _____

CASE NAME	COURT	CSR CODE, BRIEF DESCRIPTION	STATUS OF CASE	ESTIMATE COMPLETE OR DISPOSE	PLAN TO DISPOSE OF CASE

CO-4

Recipient Name: _____
Recipient Number: _____
Date: _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that _____

(Program)

is not providing legal assistance in the following types of cases or matters, for which I have

checked the appropriate box or boxes:

1. Class action suits (Sec. 504(a)(7)) _____
2. Aliens, except those persons described in Section 504(a)(11)
for whom assistance may be provided _____
3. Litigation on behalf of persons incarcerated in Federal, State
or local prison (Sec. 504(a)(15)) _____

For the above types of cases or matters for which I have not checked a box, I am submitting with

this Certification the following required reporting form(s):

CO-1 _____ CO-2 _____ CO-3 _____

DATE _____

Signature

Name

Title