EXHIBIT 4



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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL

Director, Office of Information Policy U.S. Department of Justice 1425 New York Avenue, NW Suite 11050 Washington, DC 20530-0001

RE: <u>FOIPA No. 1163053-001</u>

Dear Director:

I write to appeal the November 1, 2011 response I received to the above-referenced FOIA request, which was a reprocessing of an earlier FOIA request (No. 1163053) under the new Attorney General Guidelines.

Despite the new guidelines and the reprocessing, 239 pages of responsive records have still been withheld from disclosure and the pages which have been produced are still subject to too many redactions under FOIA exemptions 6, 7C and 7D. Thus, it appears that these exemptions have been applied far too broadly, especially given that the general subject matter of the documents has been a subject of public court proceedings for most of the past 17 years.

Accordingly, I ask you to review this file on appeal and direct whatever further actions need to be undertaken to ensure the FBI's full and complete compliance with its obligations under the law in response to this FOIA request. Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this appeal. If you have any questions at all concerning it, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-508-4655 or stephen.braga@ropesgray.com.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Braga