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William R. Mait, Esq.
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Re: The Home Insurance Co. v. Frontier Insurance Co.
Index No. 601309/97

Dear Mr. Mait:

Your otherwise meritorious application to retransfer the above case to the Commercial Division is denied as untimely under the Guidelines for Assignment of Cases to the Commercial Division. The parties were informed of the transfer in Judge Cozier's part on October 3. Your letter seeking retransfer is dated November 20. This period lacks the promptness required for such an application. Operating Statement pp. 5-6 (October 1999).

Incidentally, there is no explanation why a case with a 1997 index number was not placed before a Commercial Division justice until August 1999.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen G. Crane".

Stephen G. Crane

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cc: Daniel Moore, Esq.
Hon. Louis B. York
Robert C. Meade, Esq. ✓