

ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

January 26, 2009

VIA FACSIMILE: (217) 557-7599

David W. Ellis
House Prosecutor
412 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Re: Illinois House of Representatives Special Investigative Committee

Dear Mr. Ellis:

The Special Investigative Committee grants you permission to use the intercepted communications ordered disclosed to the Committee by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in the Senate Impeachment Tribunal.

Pursuant to House Resolution 4 of the Illinois House of Representatives of the 96th General Assembly, as well as the ruling of Chief Judge James F. Holderman of the Northern District in the matter of *United States of America v. Rod Blagojevich and John Harris* (08 CR 1010), we release the disclosed copies of four redacted recordings of intercepted communications to you for submission and use as evidence before the Senate Impeachment Tribunal.

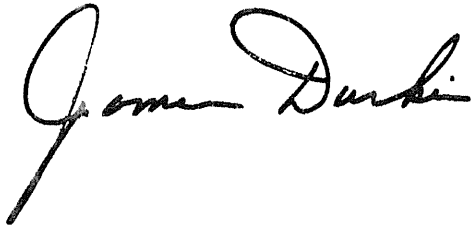
House Resolution 4 provides that the Committee shall "have the authority and duty to refer any further evidence the Committee may acquire to the House Prosecutor who is designated to prosecute in the impeachment trial of Governor Rod R. Blagojevich before the Illinois Senate." H.R. Res. 0004, 96th Gen. Assem., Reg. Sess. (Ill. 2009). Chief Judge Holderman ruled in his opinion on the Motion to Disclose (Dkt. No. 16) that "four redacted recordings and transcripts may be disclosed by the government to the members of the Special Investigation Committee as requested, to be used and, if appropriate, made public in the impeachment trial." Further, Chief

Judge Holderman, in his opinion, cites directly to the pertinent abovementioned portion of House Resolution 4.

Sincerely,

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Barbara Flynn Currie
Chair of the Special Investigative Committee

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Durkin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial 'J'.

Jim Durkin
Minority Spokesperson of the Special Investigative Committee