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Re: Auto Owners v. Rhodes, Samuel
Appellate Case No. 2009-143546

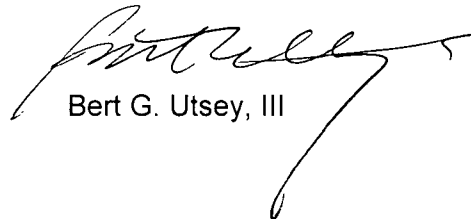
Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am in receipt of your letter dated November 29, 2012 advising that the oral arguments for this case will likely to be scheduled during the February term of Court.

Please be advised that I have a conflict on February 7, 2013 inasmuch that I have a mediation of another case scheduled on that date. Therefore, I am respectfully requesting protection from oral arguments on that date.

Thank you for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely,



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