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Re:

Appeal No. 08-0287

Request No. 1096049

JGM:RMF

Dear Ms. Brown:

You appealed on behalf of your client, Richard L. Sealey, from the action of the Miami Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on his request for access to records pertaining to himself.

After carefully considering your appeal, I am remanding your request to the FBI for a further search for records at both FBI Headquarters and its Miami Field Office, specifically including "cross-reference" records. If the FBI locates responsive records through this search, it will send any and all releasable portions of them to you directly, subject to any applicable fees. You may appeal any future adverse determination made by the FBI.

If you are dissatisfied with my action on your appeal, you may seek judicial review in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(B).

Sincerely,

Janice Galli McLeod Associate Director