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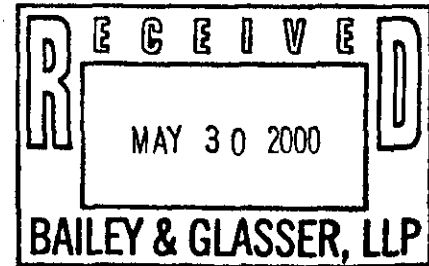
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The Honorable Patricia S. Conner, Clerk
U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
1000 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219



Re: *Bragg, et al. v. West Virginia Coal Ass'n, et al.*

Dear Ms. Conner:

Please find enclosed eight copies of the Brief of *Amicus Curiae* Commonwealth of Virginia in Support of Appellant West Virginia Division of Environmental Protection and Reversal of the Decision Below that I would appreciate your filing with the other papers in this matter.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 786-9583. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Judith Williams Jagdmann
Deputy Attorney General

Enclosures

cc: Counsel of Record (w/enclosures)