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Dear Ms. Bishop-Jenkins:

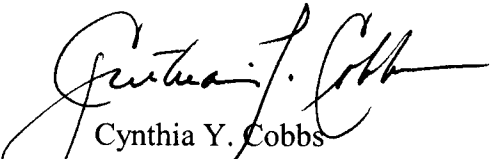
Thank you for your October 17, 2008, letter to Chief Justice Thomas Fitzgerald of the Supreme Court of Illinois. Given that the issues raised in your correspondence concern a general administrative matter, it was forwarded to the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts for response.

I am aware of the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act and, in particular, section 4(b) which provides that a statement and explanation of crime victims rights shall be given to a crime victim at the initial contact with the criminal justice system by the appropriate authorities and shall be posted in all court facilities (725 ILCS 120/1 *et seq.*). It is my understanding that some criminal justice authorities and court facilities contacted are, indeed, complying with the statute. Nonetheless, I appreciate your organization's interest in the courts' compliance with the Act.

Within the next few weeks, I will be meeting with the Conference of Chief Circuit Judges and will have dialogue with the members concerning requirements under the Act.

Again, I would like to thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of the Court. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Y. Cobbs  
Director