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Thomas F. Coleman  
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Re: *Kevin Thomas et al., v. Anchorage Equal Rights Commission, the Municipality of Anchorage, and Paula Haley in her official capacity as the Executive Director of the Alaska State Commission on Human Rights, Case No. A95-0274-CI (HRH) (U.S. District Court, Alaska)*

Dear Mr. Coleman:

Thank you very much for the assistance you have provided the Municipality of Anchorage in its defense of its anti-marital discrimination ordinance concerning renting of residential housing. This lawsuit is critical because it is filed in U.S. District Court in Alaska, the only state which has thus far provided a Supreme Court opinion vindicating the rights of governments to bar discrimination against unmarried couples based on a claim of free exercise of religion. The materials you have provided and the conversations we have had have been invaluable to the Municipality in this litigation.

I will keep you posted on the developments in this case.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "CJ Groh".

Cliff John Groh  
Assistant Municipal Attorney