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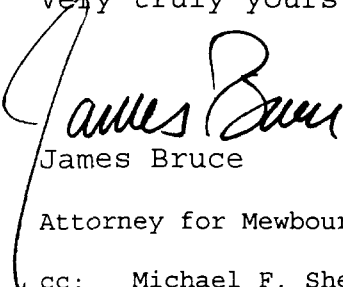
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Re: Case Nos. 11723/11755 (*de novo*)
Mewbourne/Fasken/Texaco

Dear Commissioners:

Enclosed are a response in opposition to Fasken's application for rehearing, and a motion to strike the letter filed December 22, 1997 by Fasken, filed on behalf of Mewbourne.

Very truly yours,



James Bruce

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