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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL INTERESTED DEFENSE COUNSEL

FROM: NATIONAL LEGAL PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATES

NAME: MARCH

RE: SENTENCING DEPARTURE: POST OFFENSE REHABILITATION

As we all know, making the right legal arguments is a critical part of providing effective representation in a criminal case. Success at sentencing requires an in-depth investigation into the facts of the case, close scrutiny and review of any presentence investigation reports that have been prepared, and thorough research into the applicable areas of the law. With so much for counsel to do, having the knowledgeable and experienced team of legal researchers at NLPA on your side is a definite advantage. Contacting NLPA for assistance early on in the process helps insure that justice will be done. A recent example is the case of United States v. March, Docket No. 1:02-CR-23-1, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Cleveland Division.

In March, the Defendant was charged with drug offenses and money laundering in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841 and 846, as well as 18 U.S.C. § 1956. Fortunately, Mr. March was represented by James Willis, an experienced attorney based in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. March also contacted NLPA to assist Attorney Willis with plea negotiations and sentencing. Mr. March was facing a sentence of imprisonment as high as 327 months. NLPA assisted Attorney Willis in getting Mr. March's potential sentencing exposure reduced, by helping counsel formulate arguments to minimize Mr. March's criminal history, and highlight his post-offense rehabilitation and remorse. With NLPA's assistance, Attorney Willis was able to secure his client a sentence of only 168 months incarceration!

NLPA continues to be at the forefront of developing criminal law. If you or your clients need assistance with sentencing issues or any other area of developing law, NLPA's resources and experience can provide you with the most up to the minute research and arguments available. Whether your client was just indicted, or just had a petition for habeas corpus denied, NLPA can assist you in taking the next step. No case is too big or too small, because your clients deserve the very best.

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