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Dear Mr. Freedman,

Warmest congratulations to you and the Center for your impressive victory in *Brou v. FEMA* on behalf of disabled Katrina and Rita evacuees.

Because of your skillful leadership, the evacuees will finally receive the temporary housing they need, and once again have the dignity they deserve and the opportunity to care for themselves.

Your dedication and commitment to make sure that the federal government provides fairly for all its citizens will make a meaningful difference in thousands of lives in the Gulf Coast, and I commend you for your success.

The LEJ's great victory on behalf of disabled Gulf Coast hurricane victims reminds me of the words of my brother Robert Kennedy, who said, "Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring, those ripples build a current which can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance."

Your extraordinary work to improve the lives of the disabled serves as an inspiration to us all, a shining example of how much dedicated attorneys can do to make our society truly fair and just for our all citizens. Well done

With great respect and appreciation,

Sincerely,

Edward M. Kennedy