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Helen Edgington, Chair  
Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board  
c/o Lewis Unglesby  
246 Napoleon Street  
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RE: Larry S. Bankston  
Hearing Date: July 26, 2000

Dear Ms. Edgington:

This letter is for the consideration of reinstating the law license of Larry S. Bankston. Larry loves the law, knows it well and is an asset to the profession. He was very understanding of his clients and kept them informed of the status of their legal matters. His conviction involved **no** loss of funds by any of his clients, nor did it involve his practice of law. Larry has always been respected as a very good trial attorney by his peers and has been very active in community involvement.

Larry has had no prior disciplinary actions. **A very minimum culpability supported the conviction against him and of the 41 month sentence imposed, he has served 31 months – away from family, friends and the work he enjoys. I am a friend and worked with Larry for 7 years and respectfully request you give this matter your utmost consideration.**

Sincerely,

  
Judy G. Smart