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District of Columbia

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Ladd Huffman
210 South 2nd Street
Calumet, Iowa 51009

Re: Ladd Huffman v. Food and Drug Administration,
Civil Action No. 93-0237

Dear Mr. Huffman:

We are returning with this letter the copy of a summons and complaint which you recently caused to be mailed to this office because service by mail in a case of this nature is insufficient. Hodge v. Rostker, 501 F. Supp. 332 (D.D.C. 1980).

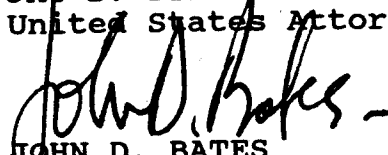
We call your attention to Rule 4(c), (d)(4) and (5), Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, requiring for service on the United States Attorney the "delivering" of a copy of the summons and complaint to the United States Attorney for the District in which the action is brought or to an Assistant United States Attorney or a clerical employee designated to receive service. This office has designated the Secretary, or acting Secretary, to the Chief of the Civil Division as the person to whom delivery of a copy of the summons and complaint is to be made.

Rule 12(a), Federal Rules of Civil procedure, allows the United States or officers or agencies thereof 60 days after service upon the United States Attorney for filing an answer to a complaint. The time for a response to your complaint will, therefore, not commence to run until after this office is properly served.

Should you have any questions on this matter please
communicate with Assistant United States Attorney John Oliver
Birch who may be reached at (202) 514-7153.

Very truly yours,

JAY B. STEPHENS
United States Attorney

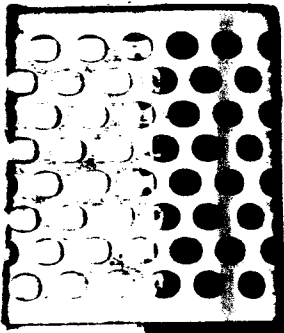
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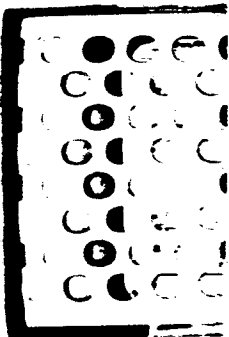
JOHN D. BATES
Chief, Civil Division

Enclosure

Carl Olsen
PO Box 4091
Des Moines, IA 50333



**RETURN RECEIPT
REQUESTED**



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right of the return address

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