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U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
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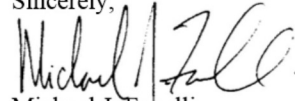
Re: Bonnichsen v. United States, 9th Cir. Nos. 02-35994 & 02-35996
(Companion Appeals)

Dear Ms. Catterson:

Enclosed for filing are an original and four copies of the Society for American Archaeology's (SAA) Motion to Participate as Amicus Curiae and Motion for Extension of Time to File an Amicus Curiae Brief. As indicated on the certificates of service, copies of these motions have been served on counsel of record along with a copy of this letter.

In addition, the SAA brings to your attention that it has been erroneously identified by the Court as a "Defendant-intervenor" in these companion appeals. The SAA participated as *amicus curiae* in the district court proceedings (No. 96-1481JE (D.Or.)).

Sincerely,


Michael J. Fanelli

Enclosures