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Ms. Gwen Ifill
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(This is a copy of a letter sent to each of the 43 news media superstars listed on the next page.)

Dear Ms. Ifill:

**Re: \$84 Billion Legally Pledged For Education of American Inner-City
Children Rapidly Slipping Away Due To Judicial Improprieties –
EQUAL PROTECTION BY THE MEDIA URGENTLY NEEDED!!!**

As you may recall, the attached letter was sent to you on September 2, 2010. Its third paragraph from the end stated that it was following up on a more detailed letter (which comprised 9 pages including the list of recipients that appear on the next page):

“On August 16, 2010, you and 42 of your colleagues who are also prominent in the American media were requested to provide coverage of this imbroglio so that, like David Boies and his Prop 8 litigation, we are able to bring the plight of the 10 million inner-city children trying to escape the American permanent underclass directly to the attention of the U.S. Supreme Court justices.”

The letter of August 16, 2010 (whose “Re” had the same three lines as appear above) began:

“Virtually all of the media have been reporting constantly since August 4th about the Proposition 8 decision of the U.S. District Court (N.D. Cal.) *and how the case will ultimately be decided by the U.S. Supreme Court*. ¶-With regard to the latter point, CNN’s reporting on August 4th trumpeted that the Supreme Court justices do not live in a vacuum – that they are influenced by media reporting in deciding whether an issue is so important that the Court should accept an appeal. ¶-David Boies agrees, as is obvious from his providing frequent interviews for the media and his participation on prestigious nationwide television programs. ¶-On September 27, 2010, the U.S. Supreme Court is scheduled to decide whether to hear the appeal in the referenced matter. ¶-Before the Ninth Circuit reached its decision earlier this year, Messrs. Marcus Brauchli (The Washington Post), Bill Keller (The New York Times), Jim Lehrer (The PBS Newshour), Robert J. Thomson (The Wall Street Journal), Ward H. Bushee (San Francisco Chronicle) and Russ Stanton (The Los Angeles Times) were all provided with detailed information about what was at stake with a David Boies-style request to cover the cases. ¶-No coverage ever occurred. No replies were received except from the PBS Newshour which reported that it will not cover the matter until it is final. It is respectfully submitted for your consideration that an obituary is not what the situation requires.”

Unfortunately, just like the 8 prestigious editors who refused to provide any coverage of the cases in the Ninth Circuit, there was no response to the two requests to you and 42 of your colleagues to provide coverage of the Certiorari Petition (request to accept an appeal) to the U.S. Supreme Court. On September 27, 2010, the Petition was denied.

However, as described more fully in the enclosed letter to 51 inner-city clergy from Los Angeles, San Francisco and Oakland CA and in the FAQ’s attached to the enclosed letter to U.S. Senator Christopher Coons, two of the cases that remained in the California state court system are still active because California law does not permit consideration of cases, such as last year’s federal court cases, in which the losing party never received “a fair day in court.”

In oral argument on appeal in the two state-court cases, opposing counsel admitted that the state trial court (as well as the federal courts which were involved in last year’s cases and which were supposed to be following state law) were wrong. Nevertheless, the state appellate court in a decision following the infamous practice described in the fifth paragraph of the enclosed letter of a court’s specifying that its decision cannot be published or cited, affirmed the state trial court’s decision even though it was diametrically opposed to one of the appellate court’s own recent decisions (which was held inapplicable with no explanation) and recent decisions of two other appellate courts (which were disingenuously claimed to provide the opposite of what they in fact had provided).

On June 14, 2011, a Petition for Certiorari will be filed with the U.S. Supreme Court that the decision of the California state courts violated the U.S. Constitutional Requirements of “due process” and “equal protection.”

Your assistance in providing publicity is once again requested. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Recipients of this and the previous two letters (this list was also provided with the August 16, 2010 letter) --

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Mr. Ron Brownstein	National Journal	600 New Hampshire Avenue NW	Washington, DC 20037
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* Mr. Howard Fineman was associated with Newsweek last year.

A generic copy of this letter with attachment is also being sent to:

- U.S. Senator Christopher A. Coons
- Mr. David M. Axelrod – Certified Return Receipt
- Mr. David Plouffe – Certified Return Receipt
- The 21 prominent governmental officials receiving the enclosed letter of even date
- The 51 inner-city clergy from Los Angeles, San Francisco and Oakland referenced in the attached letter.

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Dear Ms. Ifill:

**Re: \$84 Billion Legally Pledged For Education of American Inner-City
Children Rapidly Slipping Away Due To Judicial Improprieties –
LAST CALL FOR YOUR HELP WHICH IS URGENTLY NEEDED!!!**

The fate of an estimated 10 million inner-city children trying to escape America's permanent underclass will be decided on Monday September 27 when the U.S. Supreme Court decides whether to accept an appeal against Goldman Sachs, et. al. Since only three dozen appeals per year are accepted and none of the justices even reads any of the appeal petitions (each is summarized by solely one clerk), the 10 million inner-city children are doomed absent at least some of the kind of media coverage that David Boies and his Prop 8 case were enjoying in August.

CNN's initial coverage on August 4th trumpeted that the Supreme Court justices do not live in a vacuum – that they are influenced by media reporting in deciding whether an issue is so important that the Court should accept an appeal. David Boies agrees, as was obvious from his providing frequent interviews for the media and his participation on prestigious nationwide television programs.

The \$84 billion from Goldman Sachs, et. al., would benefit "I Have A Dream"® or IHAD-style programs replicating what a self-made multi-billionaire accomplished beginning with a promise 30 years ago to the graduating sixth graders of Harlem PS 121 that he would pay their college tuition if they would stay in school. These programs are the only thing that have proved effective in increasing significantly the typical inner-city high-school graduation rates from SINGLE DIGITS – in the case of these programs to 65%-70% and beyond primarily because their tutors and mentors become de facto surrogate parents.

The \$84 billion is the amount for which 15 worldwide financial institutions are being sued for conversion of a trade secret that was admittedly stolen by Barclays Capital Ltd. (a subsidiary of Britain's Barclays Bank plc) and transmitted by Barclays to the 15 groups of defendants. The classic common-law action for conversion (the civil equivalent of theft) rests on precisely the same grounds as what is used by heirs of Holocaust victims whose fine art was stolen by the Nazis. Like such heirs, the owner of the trade secret has elected to pursue the current holders of the stolen property. (Presumably they will be able to recover the amount of any judgments against them from Barclays Bank plc.)

Unfortunately, in recent years courts have engaged in a now common practice of making decisions that are not published and cannot be cited in order to improperly dispose of cases for which there is little interest by the media or by the public. This is true even though such practices should be viewed as an unconstitutional denial of due process of law and as an unconstitutional denial of equal protection of the law. These practices are particular egregious when they are employed to aggrandize a British bank (Barclays) which knew its actions would prevent 10 million American inner-city children from escaping America's permanent underclass.

In addition, just like years ago when a white member of the media masqueraded as a poor black person and was shocked at his treatment, the treatment by the judiciary of plaintiffs who cannot afford to hire counsel is eye-popping:

- The U.S. District Court granted the pre-trial motion of Goldman Sachs, et. al., to dismiss a classic common-law action for **conversion** of a trade secret after permitting Goldman Sachs to illegally submit

voluminous material following which the court cancelled the only scheduled hearing which would have been the plaintiff's sole opportunity to respond.

- A 3-judge Ninth Circuit panel affirmed the decision with no discussion of why the 10 million American inner-city children were being denied the same "equal protection of the law" that is routinely enjoyed by heirs of Holocaust victims whose fine art was stolen by the Nazis.
- Even though the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure ("FRAP") encourage mere motions for rehearing by the original Circuit Court panel but state that Petitions for Rehearing En Banc are not favored, plaintiff filed solely a Petition for Rehearing En Banc. The "FRAP" specify that a vote must be taken whether to grant a "Petition For Rehearing En Banc" if any Circuit Court Judge (the Ninth Circuit has 47) requests a vote. In defiance of that rule, the original three-judge panel seized control of the "Petition for Rehearing," illegally re-constructed it as a mere "Motion for Rehearing" (as if calling a "rattlesnake" a "canary" will somehow protect you if the "canary" bites), and then summarily dismissed the "canary" with no further redress and without permitting the other 44 Ninth Circuit Judges to even see the Petition.

I was chief organizer and benefactor of one of the 178 IHAD programs in the 1990's which served 200 children in public housing projects. I also served for many years as volunteer treasurer of IHAD-National. I developed the trade secret and I continue to honor my legal obligation to give all of my rights to an IHAD or IHAD-style program as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, a legal entity such as a foundation, is required to be represented by counsel. IHAD-National had to decline my gift of the rights against Goldman Sachs and the other 14 large financial institutions because IHAD-National was not in a financial position to shoulder the legal expenses. As expected, no local IHAD program was in such a position either.

When I took early retirement in 1997 from practicing law in NYC for 30 years to relocate to London to become an investment banker (Brits call us merchant bankers), my admission to practice law in New York lapsed. Therefore, I cannot represent a juridical entity though, as an individual, I can handle the lawsuits on a pro se basis in the meantime. It should also be noted that I cannot afford to hire legal counsel for IHAD because I have always given away all of my excess wealth over the years to educating inner-city children and improving the environment, and I am now retired.

Accordingly, I have contacted approximately 60 inner-city clergy to form a foundation that would be capable of handling this project. Developments are slow to materialize, but this is the way that my IHAD-Stamford CT foundation was formed two decades ago – on the framework of an Advisory Board comprising a majority of ministers and rabbis, and utilizing as tutors and mentors many of their congregants.

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If you have any comments or questions, I would be delighted to address them if you send them to john@johnkarls.com. You are also welcome to call my cell, 01-917-270-1280, which does **not** have a texting capability.

Thank you for your consideration.

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cc: Mr. Michael Moore