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Re: *New Jersey v. Delaware*, No. 134 Original

Dear Counsel:

The next progress report is due on Wednesday, November 8 and our final conference call is scheduled for Thursday, November 9.

Having in mind that the deadline for filing reply memoranda is February 15, I would appreciate it if you would confer and be prepared to include in the November progress report advice as to:

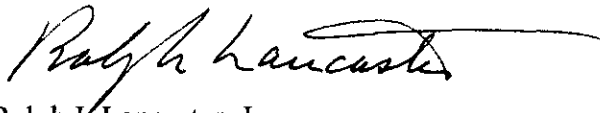
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1. whether you will want oral argument and, if so, where you prefer that it be held (possible locations include Portland and Philadelphia); and
2. if you do want oral argument, how much time you believe you will need.

I send this letter at this time so that you will have thought these questions through and be prepared to discuss them on November 9.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ralph I. Lancaster, Jr." with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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