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MUNICIPAL COURT
LOS ANGELES JUDICIAL DISTRICT
BRIAN DOCKWEILER CRAHAN, JUDGE

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Dear Mr. Coleman:

In reply to your letter of March 8, 1977, please be advised as follows.

First, I deleted the word "Homosexual" from the earlier standard form of probation conditions based upon my belief that a certain segment of the community was offended by the use of the word. Inasmuch as the word was a reference title, I could see no reason for adhering to its continuation.

Second, I deleted the conditions "Stay out of places and areas where homosexuals congregate; Do not publicly associate with known homosexuals," from the earlier form inasmuch as I personally believe such conditions are overly broad, unenforceable and possibly an unreasonable limitation on an individual's right of freedom of association.

Third, (and now referring to the revised conditions of probation which I promulgated and to which you refer), you will notice that the "Miscellaneous Conditions," while possibly proscribing some conduct which may be homosexual in nature, actually proscribe conduct regardless of sexual preference.

"Cooperation with police officers in an investigation," obeying all laws, limitations on frequenting "adult theaters" and a prohibition against genital exposure would apply to all persons placed under such limitations without regard to sex or sexual preference. My reason for doing this was to draft a series of miscellaneous conditions which would be generally applicable and differentiated from the other categories of specific conditions relating to "Force and violence" matters, "Narcotic" offenses and "Prostitution" cases.

If this response does not satisfactorily answer your inquiry, please let me know.

Very truly yours,


Brian D. Crahan

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