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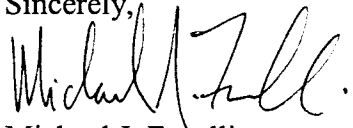
Ms. Cathy Catterson
Clerk of the Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
95 Seventh Street
San Francisco, CA 94119

Re: Bonnichsen v. United States, 9th Cir. Nos. 02-35994 & 02-35996
(Companion Appeals)

Dear Ms. Catterson:

Enclosed for filing are an original and fifteen copies of the Brief of *Amicus Curiae* the Society for American Archaeology in Support of Plaintiffs-Appellees and Seeking Affirmation of the District Court Decision. As indicated on the certificates of service, copies of these briefs have been served on counsel of record along with a copy of this letter. The Society for American Archaeology (SAA) filed its Motion to Participate as *Amicus Curiae* and Motion for Extension of Time to File an *Amicus Curiae* Brief on June 3, 2003. We have included a copy of SAA's Motion to Participate as an appendix to our brief for the convenience of the court.

In addition, I have filed today a Motion for Admission to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit under separate cover.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Fanelli

Enclosures