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Justice R. Eugene Pincham, Retired  
Appellate Court of Illinois  
9316 South Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60619

Dear Judge Pincham:

Once again, the Newberry Library will revive the Bughouse Square Debates on Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. As Chair of the event – and the one who most reluctantly interrupts you when you are really getting a response from your audience – it gives me great pleasure to invite you to be the main speaker this year.

In the past, we have had a debate between opposing speakers – last year it was Joe Morris vs. J. Quinn Brisben on the topic of “Karl Marx: Dead or Alive?” This year, the Committee thought it would be interesting to have just one speaker give the main address. We unanimously agreed that you were our choice because of your enjoyment of the afternoon and your passion for your subject matter.

In light of your passionate defense of the two juveniles in the Ryan Harris case, we thought that it would be of interest to your audience to have you talk about youth, crime, and the justice system.

I will give you a call in a few days to see if you are available on July 31<sup>st</sup>. In the meantime, feel free to call me with any questions, at (773) 769-1081.

We would be honored to have you as our main speaker this year and hope you will accept our invitation.

Sincerely,

*Diane Ciral*

Diane Ciral  
Chairman, Bughouse Square Debates Committee

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*egregious - based on police  
call  
bogus confession - obvious  
frame*

*49 yrs. (25 trial lawyer  
8 yrs. criminal court.)  
3 times before Supreme Court  
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