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Asserting our right "...to petition the Government for redress of grievances."
Amendment 1, U.S. Constitution, Dec. 15, 1791

THE 12/24 Hour Rule

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Dear Captain Sutton:

I appreciate your kind inquiry about my paper on the 12/24 Hour Rule. I am enclosing a clean copy of the paper with this letter as you requested. You indicated that you want to publish the paper for your association's membership. Feel free to do so, but please include the disclosure contained in footnote 1. Remember too, this paper was written over two years ago and parts of it may be out of date.

Thanks again for your kind review of my work. It is always good to hear positive feedback. If I can help again, please call me at (409) 723-6509, ext. 228.

Sincerely,

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Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard
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By direction of the Commanding Officer

Encl: (1) 12/24 Hour Rule

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