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Faxed: 512-478-3682 & Sent Certified Mail -

Dear Keith:

Regarding your letter dated July 11, 2000 stating the criteria for receiving lottery information that read:

"The Communications Division provides information directly to news organizations that fit the following criteria:

active members of a statewide Press Association or Broadcasters Association and/or currently listed in the 2000 Texas Media Directory, and subscribe to the professional code of Ethics of the Society for Professional Journalists. "

I submit to you first and foremost, I am considered a "news organization" as I have a publication that is titled, "The Lotto Report." It has been published every two weeks since 1993 thru this date. Further, I have a web site that is posted daily containing the latest Lottery news.

Second, I am enclosing proof of my membership to the Society for Professional Journalists.

Effective October, 2000, I will also be included in the *2000 Texas Media Directory*. I received verbal verification of my upcoming listing and this is their next publishing date. So, needless to say, it is impossible to be listed any sooner. Especially in lieu of the fact that I was only informed of this "criteria" as recently as this past July 11, 2000.

Therefore, it is my opinion that I do qualify to receive the same information that all other "news organizations" receive by request from the Texas Lottery and in the **same timely manner**. In the event I ever quit publishing Lottery related subjects - I will notify you so that you can discontinue sending the information.

In as much as I have received this information since 1993 by fax, I do not consider that sufficient time was afforded me to present my qualifications to the TLC - between notification and termination was 72 hours.

I trust you will reinstate Advertising by Dawn, dba The Lotto Report, to receive all press releases issued by the Texas Lottery Commission immediately. Since I am statewide with my publishing, unlike many "news organizations," I would like to receive all press releases issued.

I request any communications from you other than just reinstatement to be made in writing.

Sincerely,

Dawn Nettles

Attachments