

*“An Open letter to Clients, Friends and Family that participated in the  
Ryan Ulrich/Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund”*

October 26, 2005

**Re: Ryan Ulrich/Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund**

Dear Clients, Friends and Family:

In early September many of you received e-mail's or letters from my 13-year old son soliciting contributions for his Hurricane Katrina relief initiative. In the case of my clients, this was an unusual circumstance that I would allow such an effort to impose on you but, given the magnitude of the circumstances along our nations Gulf Coast, coupled with the ambition of my 13-year old son wanting to offer his time and effort to contribute to this cause, it seemed to be an appropriate circumstance engage your participation.

This effort concluded on October 15<sup>th</sup> and, we are happy to report that the it was enormously successful.

Through Ryan's work, and your generous contributions, this effort raised **\$3,651.50** that will be donated to the “Chicago Helps Fund” (*this is the relief fund that was established by Mayor Richard M. Daley to provide assistance to those effected by Hurricane Katrina*) in late October or early November.

The delay in making this deposit is due to the fact Ryan will be making this contribution to Mayor Daley personally and his office has not yet confirmed a time that the Mayor will be able to receive Ryan. At this point we have been told that this will be 2 to 4 weeks.

After this presentation has been made, each person that contributed to this fund will receive a copy of the receipt that is provided by the Chicago Helps Fund along with a letter, from Ryan, that will confirm the share that you contributed. This will provide you with the evidence that you will need to qualify for a deduction for a Charitable Contribution for your 2005 Income Taxes.

To each of you, Clients, Friends and Family, please accept our humble and gracious thanks for your contributions to this fund. While I am proud of my son's efforts, the support that you brought to this fund reminds me of the good fortune that I have within the relationships that I have in my work, among my friends, and, as always, among my family.

With respect and admiration,



Peter