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> Re: FRAP 28(j) Letter filed by Plaintiffs-appellants in No. 20-1934 Regarding *Bhatti v. Fed. Hous. Fin. Agency*, No. 18-2506 (8th Cir. Oct. 6, 2021)

Dear Mr. Marksteiner:

The plaintiffs-appellants ("Shareholders") write to advise the Court of the decision in *Bhatti v. Fed. Hous. Fin. Agency*, No. 18-2506, 2021 WL 4558312 (8th Cir. Oct. 6, 2021).

In *Bhatti*, the Eighth Circuit recognized that *Collins* controlled and reversed the district court's ruling dismissing the shareholders' separation of powers claims for lack of standing. Specifically, the court determined that the shareholders had standing because "the relevant action in this case is the third amendment, and [] the shareholders' concrete injury flows *directly from* that amendment." *Bhatti*, 2021 WL 4558312 at *1 (quoting *Collins v. Yellen*, 141 S. Ct. 1761, 1779 (2021) (emphasis added)).

As the Shareholders explained in their *Joint Supplemental Brief Regarding Collins* [ECF 75], the determination that shareholders have a "concrete injury [that] flows *directly from*" the Net Worth Sweep directly supports the Shareholders' explanations of why they have direct claims. Jt. Supp. Br. 9. The Shareholders alleged that the Net Worth Sweep transferred their ownership rights including their rights to dividends and a liquidation preference, in which they have a "direct personal interest," to the government. Because this injury is entirely separate from,

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and independent of, any injury to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac themselves, this gives rise to a "distinct injury." *Id.* at 9–10. And moreover, the Shareholders seek money damages for themselves. *Bhatti* confirms that, under *Collins*, these allegations establish that the Net Worth Sweep directly injured Shareholders.

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Respectfully,

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