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The argument of LFW that its proposed action is a benefit to lawyers in maintaining their accounts is a true Red Herring. The subject Funds can simply stay put. The State has a long-standing program and an expressed desire to "clean out" such nuisance accounts for the lawyer.

Let the normal State routine play out. The State Program is not broken. So, don't propose tinkering with it by unilateral Court action.

The Court will be accused of engaging in fancy THEFT if it endorses this unusual transfer of Funds. Don't be persuaded by the LFW's emotional argument that the money, if LFW receives it, will serve to benefit poor people.

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