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JOINT LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST THE FBI AND DOJ BY THE LAWYERS' COMMITTEE FOR 9/11 INQUIRY, ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS FOR 9/11 TRUTH AND VICTIM FAMILY MEMBERS FOR FAILURE TO FULFILL CONGRESSIONAL MANDATE TO ASSESS AND REPORT KNOWN EVIDENCE TO CONGRESS CONCERNING THE 9/11 ATTACKS

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SUED FOR FAILURE TO PERFORM MANDATORY DUTIES

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WASHINGTON D.C. **Monday**, March 25, 2019 -- Today the Lawyers' Committee for 9/11 Inquiry, and Architects & Engineers for 9/11 Truth and 9/11 victim family members Robert McIlvaine and Barbara Krukowski-Rastelli announced a joint federal lawsuit filed in the United States District Court for The District of Columbia against the United States Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for their failure to perform a congressionally mandated assessment of any evidence known to the FBI that was not considered by the 9/11 Commission related to any factors that contributed in any manner to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

The legal action for declaratory and injunctive relief is being filed under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), 5 U.S.C. 702, 706 and the federal mandamus statute, 28 U.S.C. 1361 related to federal agency failures to comply with a mandate from Congress related to the tragic events of September 11, 2001.

The complaint sites the failure of the FBI and its 2014-**2015** 9/11 Review Commission to assess key 9/11 related evidence that the FBI can be shown to have had or been aware of regarding: 1) the use of pre-placed explosives to destroy World Trade Center buildings, 1, 2 and 7; 2) terrorist financing regarding the **reported** Saudi support for the 9/11 hijackers; 3) the arrest and investigation of the "High Fivers" observed photographing and celebrating the attacks on the World Trade Center on 9/11, 4) recovered plane parts including serial numbers from all three crash locations, 5) video from cameras mounted inside and outside the Pentagon, and 6) cell phone communications from passengers aboard airplanes. This is evidence relevant to the 9/11 Review Commission's and the FBI's compliance with the mandate from Congress which should have been assessed by the FBI and the 2014-**2015** 9/11 Review Commission and reported to Congress. The Complaint also cites the destruction by the FBI of evidence related to the "High Fivers".

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