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*Dear Colleague:*

*In recent weeks, we've all witnessed some of the very worst natural disasters ever to befall humankind.*

*For Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, the physical devastation wrought by recent hurricanes could adversely affect their way of life for many years to come. Indeed, Deserai Crow, a disaster recovery expert at the University of Colorado Denver, recently said "It's easily going to be a decade." Due in large part to the severity of the damage Maria caused, Puerto Rico's entire electric grid was severely damaged, leaving the whole island without power, water or working sewers. Federal officials say it could be months before power is restored.*

*We can't stand idly by while this suffering continues. We have to help – and we write today to ask you to help too.*

*We've each contributed to [One America Appeal](#), through which you can donate to all three recovery efforts from Hurricanes Harvey in Texas, Irma in Florida and Maria in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands – or, if you prefer, you can direct your donation to a specific recovery effort, using the drop-down menu in the website's donation section.*

*The [campaign](#) was first launched last month after Harvey hit the Gulf Coast. It then expanded its fundraising efforts to Irma, the storm that barreled through the U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and ultimately Florida.*

*It is a joint effort on the parts of former Presidents Jimmy Carter, George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama.*

*Through the years, SCG Legal and the attorneys in its member firms have always responded generously to those in desperate need of help. Duty calls again. Please [donate](#) today.*

*Kindest regards,*

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