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TO: US Dept of Justice.

As a concerned citizen and tax payer I urge you to put the Microsoft case to rest. It may have been a nice idea for the Federal Government and State Governments to sue Microsoft when the economy was soaring and the states saw dollar signs....those days are gone. I understand that a few high level government officials are looking for private sector jobs and like to make a name for themselves while they have the unlimited budget of the taxpayer. If we continue to allow a few lawyers seek name recognition at the expense of the corporation we will destroy our free economy.

The governments job should be to protect the greater public interest and allow Americans to pursue their own happiness. It has been made very clear in this case that Microsoft has not damaged the consumer or the public's interest. I appreciate all our government does. Americans truly are fortunate to live here and I am grateful for the Department of Justice and the people who serve there.

In this matter I think we should let the free market solve the competitive issues.

Thank you.
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