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July 2, 1963

*Lon Oberdoffer:  
Here is a good  
bar association. Can  
you have the AB  
to make proposed  
vises.  
for*

Bernard G. Segal, Esq.  
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Re: White House Conference Concerning  
Civil Rights Problem

Dear Bernie:

The information herein contained supplements my letter to you of June 28th. There is enclosed herewith a press release that was issued yesterday by the State Bar of California to the several hundred newspapers that are on its regular distribution list.

Responses to the letters that I sent out last week indicate that almost all of the hundred and one bar associations will have representatives in attendance at one of the meetings.

Once again, I would be glad to receive such material or suggestions as you think appropriate in order to assist me in preparing for these meetings.

Cordially yours,

WILLIAM P. GRAY

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cc: Honorable Harrison Tweed  
Honorable Burke Marshall

*My best to Ramona Clark and  
Archie Cox and Robert Schlier*

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**THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA**

**RELEASE: IMMEDIATELY**

**STATE BAR CALLS  
CIVIL RIGHTS  
MEETINGS**

William P. Gray of Los Angeles, president of the State Bar of California has called three regional meetings of local bar association leaders to work together in the solution of civil rights problems in local communities.

Mr. Gray has just returned from a visit in Washington, D.C., where the President asked lawyers to help in bringing about local community understanding.

- The meetings:
1. Monday, July 8th, 2 p.m., Governor's Council Room, State Capitol, Sacramento;
  2. Tuesday, July 9th, 2 p.m., State Bar office 601 McAllister Street, San Francisco;
  3. Wednesday, July 10th, 2 p.m., State Bar office 1230 West Third Street, Los Angeles.

In calling these meetings, Mr. Gray reported that he was doing so at the request of President John F. Kennedy who had called a meeting of lawyers and judges in Washington on June 21 "to discuss certain aspects of the nation's civil rights problems which merit serious and immediate attention."

Mr. Gray further said:

"After hearing the presentation by the President, the Vice-President, and the Attorney General, all of us in attendance were convinced that the civil rights problem does indeed require serious and immediate attention: It is a problem that must be faced in every state and virtually every community. Lawyers, particularly leaders of the bar, have a vital part to play in seeking and working towards peaceable solutions.

"In order to comply with the urgent request of the President, and to fulfill a portion of the sense of responsibility that I have brought home from Washington, I am anxious to meeting as soon as possible with the presidents of all the local bar associations of the State, in order to inform you as to what took place at the White House meeting, and pass on to you the President's suggestion, as to how you, as leaders of the bar, may provide vital service to your respective communities and to the Nation in these critical days."

Called to the regional meetings are presidents of local bar associations as follows:

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June 28, 1963

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Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis  
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Re: White House Conference concerning civil rights problem.

Dear Bernie:

There is enclosed herewith a copy of a letter that I sent yesterday to the presidents of the 101 bar associations of California. I believe that this letter is self-explanatory, and I think that you will be interested in this action.

Also, yesterday the Board of Governors of the State Bar authorized the appointment of a state-wide committee to give advice and coordination to the activities of the Bar in connection with the civil rights problem. This committee will be composed of a well-balanced number of leading negro and white members of the Bar.

Today there is being prepared for state-wide distribution a press release announcing the calling of these meetings of leaders of the Bar. The release will make substantial reference to the ten requests made by the President and state that these requests will be passed along to the presidents of the local bar associations.

In anticipation of the three meetings that I will be conducting within the next ten days, I would be grateful if you could cause to be sent to me a transcript of the remarks made by the President, the Vice-President, and the Attorney General at the White House meeting on June 21. I took notes as best I could, but inevitably missed a point here and there. Also, any other information or suggestion as to things that I might call to the attention of the local bar leaders would be welcome.

Bernard G. Segal, Esq.

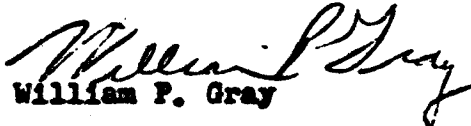
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We will be in touch with you and your committee from time to time, and I assure you that this vital program will have the whole-hearted support of the organized Bar of California.

In as much as I have accepted Sylvester Smith's request to serve on the newly appointed American Bar Association Committee to study this problem, and in view of the stepped-up nature of the above-discussed program that we are trying to establish here, I think it would be best if I refrained from spreading myself any thinner; and I, therefore, do not ask to be a member of the committee headed by you and Mr. Tweed.

Cordially yours,

  
William P. Gray

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cc: Honorable Harrison Tweed  
Honorable Burke Marshall



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June 27, 1963

TO THE PRESIDENTS OF THE BAR  
ASSOCIATIONS OF CALIFORNIA

Gentlemen:

On Friday, June 21, 1963, it was my privilege to participate in a gathering at the White House, pursuant to the invitation of the President, who stated in his telegram that he was "meeting with a group of leaders of the bar to discuss certain aspects of the Nation's civil rights problem, . . . [which] merit serious and immediate attention."

After hearing the presentation by the President, the Vice-President, and the Attorney General, all of us in attendance were convinced that the civil rights problem does indeed require serious and immediate attention; that it is a problem that must be faced in every state and virtually every community; and that lawyers, particularly leaders of the bar, have a vital part to play in seeking and working toward peaceable solutions.

In order to comply with the urgent request of the President, and to fulfill a portion of the sense of responsibility that I brought home from Washington, I am anxious to meet as soon as possible with the Presidents of all of the local bar associations of this state, in order to inform you as to what transpired at the White House meeting, and pass on to you the President's suggestion as to how you, as leaders of the bar, may provide vital service to your respective communities and to the Nation in these critical days.

Accordingly, I request that each bar association send its president to meet with me at one of the following times and places:

Monday, July 8th at 2 p.m., Governor's Council  
Room, State Capitol, Sacramento;

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ASSOCIATIONS OF CALIFORNIA

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Tuesday, July 9th at 2 p.m., State Bar office  
601 McAllister Street, San Francisco;

Wednesday, July 10th at 2 p.m., State Bar  
office, 1230 West Third Street,  
Los Angeles.

Please advise promptly, by mail, telegraph or tele-  
phone, as to which meeting you will attend. If it is impossi-  
ble for you to be present personally at any of them, please  
designate an appropriate member of your association to come in  
your stead.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM P. GRAY

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cc: Secretaries of the Bar Associations

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July 10, 1963

Hon. Robert F. Kennedy,  
Attorney General of the United States,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

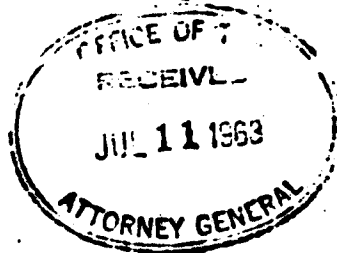
Thank you for your letter of June 28th with enclosures. I was glad that I was able to attend the meeting at the White House on June 21st.

You may be interested to know that I have accepted an appointment to serve on the Special Committee appointed by the Honorable Sylvester Smith, Jr., President of the American Bar Association.

Yours very sincerely,

*Walton J. McLeod, Jr.*  
Walton J. McLeod, Jr.

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JUL 23 1969

Walton J. McLeod, Jr., Esq.  
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Walterboro, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McLeod:

Thank you for your letter of July 10, 1969.

Mr. Oberdorfer has told me of meeting you at the initial meeting of the American Bar Association Special Committee on Friday, July 12th.

We were pleased to see that so many members of the Special Committee were willing and able to respond so quickly to what must have been of necessity short notice and it is equally good to know that these men could devote two full days to their deliberations in order that the subject might be dealt with comprehensively in time for action at your August meeting of the American Bar Association.

Although it cannot be expected that lawyers, of all people, would be of one mind on any subject, it is essential that they speak up in times of crises such as these, especially on matters of principle on which all men of good will can agree.

Sincerely,

15/  
Attorney General

JUL 23 1963

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Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you for your letter of July 9, with  
its very informative replies to our inquiries.

We appreciate your willingness to serve on  
the Committee of Mr. Tweed and Mr. Segal, as well  
as your very positive efforts among the members of  
the bar of Oklahoma. This is the kind of voluntary  
effort which is needed.

Thank you for your continued support and  
cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

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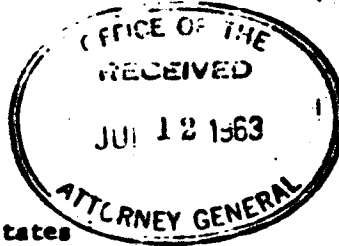
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**July 9, 1963**



The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy  
Attorney General of the United States  
Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

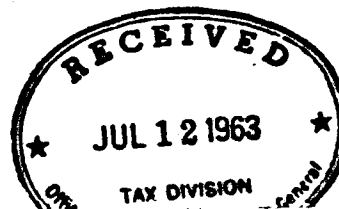
I am greatly impressed by the efforts of the Administration toward meeting and solving the crisis we have in civil rights. I was most pleased to attend the White House meeting of lawyers on June 21. I am also pleased by your follow-up letter and your suggestions to all the lawyers present regarding the action which they should take.

Immediately upon my return to Oklahoma City I wrote to both Mr. Tweed and Mr. Segal offering my full support and services to their committee. I have initiated correspondence with the other four Oklahoma lawyers who attended the White House meeting toward the end that we lawyers here in Oklahoma may work together to help solve the civil rights problems in Oklahoma.

Perhaps you know of our serious dissent among certain prominent members of the Oklahoma Bar relating to the proposed federal legislation in the civil rights field. I am, however, hopeful that the leaders of our Oklahoma Bar Association will take action to the end that a State Bar Committee on Civil Rights is created. I feel optimistic that most Oklahoma lawyers will champion an effort to eliminate discrimination against minority groups in our state.

In answer to the inquiries contained in your letter, I reply as follows:

1. We do have a race-relations problem in Oklahoma; however, much progress has been made, particularly in the field of school desegregation and more recently in the field of opening all public accommodations to all races.



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2. Oklahoma City has in the last six weeks made tremendous progress in the field of public accommodations. There are only a few restaurants and motels which still have barriers. A single privately owned swimming pool in an amusement park is still a problem. We do have a serious problem in housing and employment, which should be the next area of effort on the part of all of us.

3. As to changes being made, the bi-racial committee with which I am working and the Mayor's Committee on Community Relations are working diligently to eliminate all discrimination in public facilities. The Mayor's Committee is working on the problem of employment and housing. These latter areas of endeavor will require a tremendous coordinated effort, but there are many enlightened and dedicated persons who are working on the problem.

4. There is not now a local lawyers committee. There are a number of young lawyers in Oklahoma City who have been active with our bi-racial committee for the past three years. I have contacted these persons and we are working toward the organization of committees in the state and local bar associations. I am hopeful that we can be successful.

Again, I would like to express my appreciation to you and all of the members of the Administration in their great efforts to solve this most important domestic problem. I am extremely hopeful that the lawyers of the United States will take immediate action to assure that civil rights are extended to all citizens. I shall try to do all I can individually and through our Bar Association.

Very truly yours,

  
Ted J. Davis

TJD:fc

cc: Bernard G. Segal, Esq.  
Harrison Tweed, Esq.  
Robert W. Blackstock, Esq.  
James D. Fellers, Esq.  
Maurice H. Merrill, Esq.  
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FROM: L. M. Pellerzi  
NA 8-7460 Ext. 654

L. M. Pellerzi, President of the District of Columbia Chapter of The Federal Bar Association, announced today that the Board of Directors of that Chapter passed a resolution calling "upon all lawyers to use their positions of leadership and influence to promote in every way the principles of equal justice and equal opportunity for all Americans". The Chapter has arranged a luncheon program to be held at noon on July 30, 1963, at the National Press Club at which the Honorable Burke Marshall, Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Rights Division will speak to an assemblage of lawyers concerning the current racial controversy. This program will be under the auspices of the Chapter's Council on Community Affairs headed by Mr. Bettin Stalling, former National President of The Federal Bar Association, which has been most active in calling for the assumption by lawyers of leadership responsibility in community problems particularly in the area of race relations.

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CHAPTER  
OF THE FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION ADOPTED JULY 10, 1963

Recognizing the significance of harmonious racial relations to the well-being of every community, the Board of Directors of the District of Columbia Chapter of The Federal Bar Association calls upon all lawyers to use their positions of leadership and influence to promote in every way the principles of equal justice and equal opportunity for all Americans.



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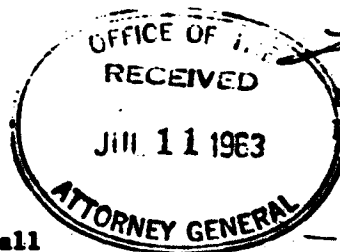
My dear Mr. Attorney General:

I am gratified to forward the attached resolution of this Chapter which should help promote more active leadership by lawyers in the current racial controversy. This Chapter has previously taken public positions in support of the President's action in Mississippi, the Executive Order on housing, and the proposals for a local housing regulation in the District of Columbia.

The Chapter's Council on Community Affairs headed by Mr. Bettin Stalling, former National President of The Federal Bar Association, in furtherance of the attached resolution has arranged a luncheon program for lawyers at the National Press Club on July 30, 1963, at which your able assistant, the Honorable Burke Marshall, has consented to speak. We would welcome any suggestions you or Mr. Marshall may desire to make concerning this program.

You have our support and best wishes for success in these difficult times.

Sincerely yours,



L. M. Fellersi  
President

Enclosure

cc: Honorable Burke Marshall

JUL 23 1963

L. M. Fellerzi, Esq.  
President  
District of Columbia Chapter of  
The Federal Bar Association  
Federal Bar Building  
1615 N Street, N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Fellerzi:

Thank you for your letter of July 11, and the copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors of the District of Columbia Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

We appreciate your support and continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

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JUL 23 1963

Harry Gershenson, Esq.  
611 Olive Street  
St. Louis 1, Missouri

Dear Mr. Gershenson:

Thank you very much for your letter of  
July 12, 1963, and for your interest and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General



Honorable Robert Kennedy

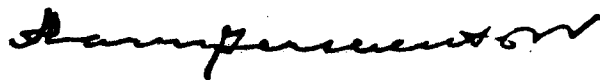
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I should be glad to help form one if requested.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



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cc: Mr. Harrison Tweed  
One Chase Manhattan Plaza  
New York 5, N. Y.

Mr. Bernard Segal  
Packard Building  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

JUL 23 1963

Wilbur F. Pell, Jr., Esq.  
The Indiana State Bar Association  
229 Bankers Trust Building  
Indianapolis 4, Indiana

Dear Mr. Pell:

My letter to you of June 28, 1963, has been returned and is being remailed to you herewith.

I hope that the contents of my letter, although delayed in reaching you, may prove of interest.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

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JUL 23 1963

Francis J. Wilcox, Esq.  
President  
State Bar of Wisconsin  
131 South Barstow Street  
Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Wilcox:

My letter to you of June 28, 1963, has been returned and is being remailed to you herewith.

I hope that the contents of my letter, although delayed in reaching you, may prove of interest.

Sincerely,

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JUL 23 1963

Arthur Dixon, Esq.  
First National Bank Building  
Chicago 3, Illinois

Dear Mr. Dixon:

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Sincerely,

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addition, the political unit employing the defendant should be made liable. Enforcement against the pocketbook meets less emotional resistance than criminal prosecution, and injured persons will be encouraged to vindicate their rights.

All of us wish you well in the historic task you have undertaken.

Respectfully,

Louis B. Schwartz  
Professor of Law

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cc: Honorable Robert F. Kennedy  
Honorable Clarence Clyde Ferguson

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June 23, 1963

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President,

I was among the lawyers at the White House Conference of June 21 on civil rights, and found it an illuminating and moving occasion. May I pass along three reflections:

(1) In the course of defining the national position on public demonstrations, I trust that the Administration will declare and emphasize the principle that peaceful protest is not subject to police repression or criminal prosecution merely because counter-protestants may be expected to resort to violence. The force of the law must be directed against those who engage in or threaten lawless acts, not against their victims who do no more than exercise their constitutional rights. The American Law Institute incorporated this principle in its recently completed Model Penal Code, Section 250.2, where "disorderly conduct" is defined so as to reject the doctrine that lawful conduct may be penalized on the basis that it is likely to provoke others to unlawful violence.

(2) There was some substance to the expressed concern of the gentleman from Alabama about repeated statements that "trouble" is to be expected this summer and is understandable in view of the gross provocations that Negroes have endured. Such statements ought to be coupled with firm declarations that violence on either side will not be tolerated, lest you be misunderstood as inviting or condoning illegal violence by the Negroes. Aside from the merits, which are clear, the politics of the situation demand this reassurance for masses of whites who are becoming apprehensive and resentful.

(3) The proposed civil rights legislative program should employ, among other sanctions, the device of making official violators of civil liberties personally liable for a specified amount of liquidated damages and to pay attorney's fee and costs to the injured party. In

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JUL 29 1963

*M. J. Marshall*

Professor Louis B. Schwartz  
The Law School  
University of Pennsylvania  
Thirty-Fourth and Chestnut Streets  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Professor Schwartz:

Thank you very much for the copy of your  
June 25 letter to the President.

We appreciate your comments, and shall give  
them careful consideration. In recent correspondence  
Bernard Segal has informed us of your valuable coopera-  
tion with the Lawyers' Committee. We are very grateful  
for your most valuable attention to this critical  
national problem.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

*Office Memorandum* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Burke Marshall  
Civil Rights Division

DATE: July 15, 1963

FROM : <sup>157</sup> Andrew F. Oehmann

SUBJECT:

H. Vernon Eney, Esquire of Baltimore, Maryland, president of the Maryland State Bar Association (one of the lawyers at the recent White House Conference on Civil Rights) called to state that the Executive Council of his Association was setting up a state-wide committee to help on civil rights problems.

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JUL 29 1963

*Th. Marshall*

**H. Vernon Emy, Esquire  
President  
Maryland State Bar Association  
1409 Mercantile Trust Building  
Baltimore 2, Maryland**

**Dear Mr. Emy:**

Thank you very much for your call of July 15.

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We are very glad to learn that the Executive Council of the Maryland State Bar Association has created a state-wide committee to deal with civil rights problems. We hope that your committee and the Lawyers' Committee of Messrs. Tweed and Segal will be able to provide each other mutual assistance.

We are grateful for the efforts of the members of the Maryland Bar, for we believe that effective leadership by the legal profession is essential to the peaceful solution of this critical national problem.

It was especially good to see the favorable response to the press announcement that your committee's arbitration of the Cambridge matter has been accepted by the groups involved in that very delicate situation. This can be a pattern in other committees.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

# Mayors Set To Discuss State Plan

DURHAM (UPI)—Mayors from nine cities across the State will meet here at noon Thursday to map out a Statewide program to deal with discrimination against Negroes.

The nine-member Mayors' co-operating Committee was named at the request of Gov. Terry Sanford following a meeting last Friday of around 300 mayors and other town officials in Greensboro.

This group of 300 named mayors Floyd Mehan of High Point, N. C., Benton of Winston-Salem, and R. Wense Grabarak of Durham to work with Sanford in establishing a liaison racial commission.

Six other mayors received notices Wednesday that they had been named to the cooperating committee. They were Stanford Brookshire of Charlotte, J. Harper Beall Jr. of Lenoir, William E. Harrison of Rocky M.

Wilbur Clark of Fayetteville, David Schenck of Greensboro and James W. Reid of Raleigh.

Sanford appealed to the mayors at Friday's meeting to "deal with the situation, to work at it, to display wisdom and courage ... and to understand that every child of God on earth desires a chance for life and human dignity."

Raleigh Mayor Reid said he felt the Governor and this committee will be able to "work out some Statewide program to help us go ahead with this program ... of rights for all of the citizens of the State."

Reid was quick to explain he did not envision any sort of Statewide edict such as the accommodations law outlawing segregation and initiated by Kentucky Gov. Bert Combs.

And Sanford said Friday "That kind of edict would not be constitutional in North Carolina and is not viewed as a solution to this problem."

Fayetteville Mayor Wilbur Clark said he faced the future "rather optimistically" on the race issue. Clark said he thought North Carolina was the only state taking the municipal-level approach to the problem by working through mayors.

"It seems to me that North Carolina is a most progressive state and I think we are showing the nation what can be done with the leadership which North Carolina has had," he said.

Contacted at his home, Clark said there was a quotation that he ran across recently which fits the mood of the mayors: "You cannot avoid the responsibility

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its doors and is flooded by these employees, leaving no room for its old customers. If, in self-preservation, the proprietor should choose to resume the selection of his customers, he should not be sent to a Federal prison. Many restaurants here are open and find that after the first day it makes little difference. They will remain open. Employment opportunities are opening up. Two banks and one savings and loan institution here have negro personnel. I have to reserve my judgment on the Civil Rights Bill now pending in Congress.

With great respect, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Francis E. Winslow

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cc: Mr. Harrison Tweed

cc: Mr. Bernard G. Segal



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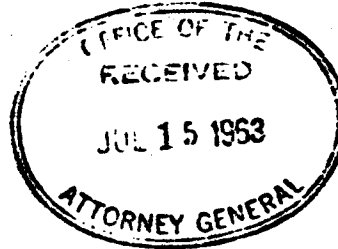
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July 12, 1963

The Honorable Robert Kennedy  
Attorney General of the United States  
Washington, D. C.



Dear Mr. Attorney General:

I apologize for the unavoidable delay in answering your letter of June 28, 1963, concerning the meeting of lawyers at the White House on June 21st.

I was much impressed by the meeting and the remarks of the President, the Vice President and the Attorney General. I have volunteered to serve on the Lawyers' Committee For Civil Rights Under Law, under the chairmanship of my old friends, Harrison Tweed and Bernard G. Segal. I hope that the lawyers, through that committee, can assist the Administration in eliminating unjust discrimination because of race.

It is my observation that much progress has been made in the use of good will to produce results in lieu of the use of force.

In my volunteering to serve on the Tweed - Segal Committee, I entered a caveat as follows:

"Caveat: My joining the Lawyers' Committee For Civil Rights Under Law, like my joining in the statement of the forty-six lawyers, lends my support to law and order and respect for the courts and their judgments on the law. It signifies my support of the President and my Governor, Terry Sanford, in encouraging the razing of racial barriers through decency and good will and discouraging disrupting demonstrations. It does not commit me to support the distortion of the Brown case, as in New York, where the Board of Education is deliberately forcing white children into the Negro schools and vice versa, for no other purpose but forcing association. This is discriminating against white children because of race. Civil rights are not for Negroes alone. It does not commit me to support Federal legislation forcing integration in private business. One restaurant in Rocky Mount on a prominent street but within a block of a garment factory employing Negroes only, opened

*M. Marshall*

JUL 29 1963

Francis E. Winslow, Esquire  
Battis, Winslow, Herrrell, Scott & Wiley  
Peoples Bank Building  
P. O. Box 269  
Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Winslow:

Thank you for your letter of July 12, with  
the enclosed copy of the article from the Raleigh paper.

We appreciate your volunteering to serve on  
the Lawyers' Committee. We would not, of course, expect  
all lawyers to be of one mind on any subject; but it is  
important that lawyers speak up, especially on those  
principles of fair play on which men of good will every-  
where are in agreement.

We are grateful for your assistance and  
cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General

Hon. Robert F. Kennedy

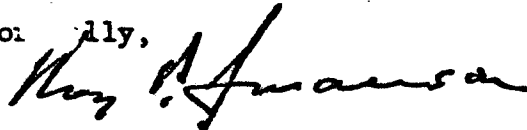
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We are all looking forward to seeing you on next September 26th at which time, as you know, you will be addressing the annual meeting of the Missouri Bar here in Kansas City.

Best regards.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roy P. Swanson".

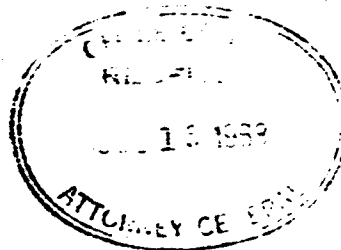
Roy P. Swanson

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**THE MISSOURI BAR**

July 11, 1963

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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KANSAS CITY 6, MO.  
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Hon. Robert F. Kennedy  
Attorney General of the  
United States  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

I thank you for your letter of June 28, 1963 relative to our meeting with the President and Vice President and yourself in Washington last month. I assure you that it was a pleasure to be there and to take part in the proceeding.

With respect to the situation here in Missouri, I can assure you from the standpoint of the Missouri Bar that we are doing everything that we possibly can to relieve any racial intolerance, prejudice or inequality as to civil rights. The Missouri Bar is fully integrated and colored lawyers are in places of importance on several committees of the Missouri Bar.

Here in Kansas City I happen to be a Police Commissioner and we have established a civil rights commission which is in the nature of a liaison between the colored areas and the Police Department, and considerable progress is being made along that line. Also the city has a Human Relations Commission which is doing good work for the city. All in all, I feel that we are making considerable progress here in Kansas City along the lines suggested by the President, and we will continue to do what we can to improve the situation.

*Mr. Marshall*

JUL 29 1963

**Roy P. Sumner, Esquire  
President  
The Missouri Bar  
1500 Commerce Trust Building  
Kansas City 6, Missouri**

**Dear Mr. Sumner:**

**Thank you for your letter of July 11.**

**We are glad to learn of the efforts being made by the members of the Missouri Bar, for we believe that effective leadership by the legal profession is essential to the peaceful solution of this vital national problem.**

**I shall look forward to seeing you on September 26.**

**Sincerely,**

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**Attorney General**

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indicative of this. I am sorry to say that I think the atmosphere has changed materially in the last few weeks. Latent prejudices are being stirred, and public opinion appears to be shifting toward resistance to further advances. I am afraid it is going to be very important for some of us with cooler heads to keep out of the fray so as to be in a position to bind up the wounds which are being inflicted by unwise actions.

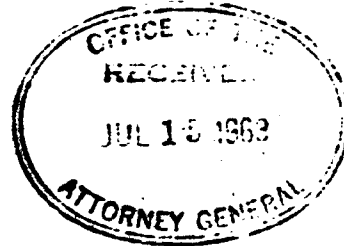
Yours sincerely,

  
William L. Marbury

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WILLIAM L. MARBURY  
800 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
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July 12, 1963



Honorable Robert F. Kennedy  
Attorney General of the United States  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

I have already indicated to Messrs. Tweed and Segal that I shall be glad to serve on the committee which they are organizing. Insofar as the local situation is concerned, a great deal of what you suggest has already been accomplished. There is a state-wide bi-racial committee and, in many communities, there are local committees serving a similar function. In general these committees have been very effective in working out voluntary programs, although we have a spectacular failure in Cambridge.

Here in Baltimore there has been trouble with an amusement park, which is not within the scope of our recently enacted public accommodations bill, but this is the subject of litigation now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States, and until that litigation has been disposed of there is nothing which lawyers can do.

Finally, I am informed that the President of our Maryland State Bar Association has appointed a committee, the purpose of which is to carry out the general objectives which you have outlined in your letter of June 28th.

I feel obliged to add that I am deeply disturbed about the rising emotional tension in this State. Since the opinion in the Brown case, we have made great progress toward removing discriminations against the Negro race and public opinion has supported these changes. The recent enactment by the Maryland State Legislature of a public accommodations bill is

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*Mr. Marshall*

William L. Marbury, Esquire  
900 First National Bank Building  
Baltimore 2, Maryland

Dear Mr. Marbury:

Thank you for your letter of July 12.

We are glad to learn of your offer to serve on the Lawyers' Committee being formed by Messrs. Tued and Spaul, as well as your efforts in Maryland. We hope that the committee of the Maryland State Bar Association, which you mentioned, will be able to assist in a satisfactory solution to the problem in Cambridge.

Please keep us advised of developments in your area and let us know if we can be of assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Attorney General



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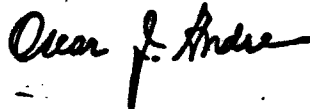
executive committee promptly met and decided unanimously that if that situation were not corrected, we would not hold our meeting there. We notified the local committee accordingly. In the meantime, we made tentative arrangements to meet elsewhere. The result has been that the situation has been corrected, and we have recently been informed that the facilities would be open to all. Consequently, we shall proceed with our meeting there as originally scheduled.

I feel that this is an incident about which you would want to be informed.

Generally speaking, our race relations here are comparatively harmonious and we shall attempt to keep them that way.

Shortly after receiving your letter, I received one from Mr. Harrison Tweed and Mr. Bernard G. Segal of the lawyers' committee appointed by the President. I am writing to them, offering the assistance of our organization in this project.

Sincerely yours,



Oscar J. Andre

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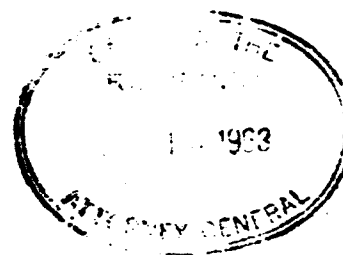
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CHARLESTON, W. VA.

July 12, 1963

Honorable Robert F. Kennedy,  
Attorney General of the United States,  
Department of Justice,  
Washington, D. C.



Dear Mr. Kennedy:

Thank you very kindly for your good letter of June 28, 1963, following President Kennedy's conference at the White House on June 21. I appreciate very much receiving the list of those who attended the conference, for it was not possible to meet but a few of those present during the conference itself. I feel honored to have been included in those invited to the conference and to have had the opportunity to hear the discussion of the problem at firsthand.

Here in West Virginia, as I am sure you know, the civil rights problem has not been very troublesome. Integration has taken place rather uneventfully, except for a few spots, but even in those places there have been no incidents to attract particular attention.

The West Virginia State Bar, of which I am President, is an Integrated Bar, to which all lawyers must belong in order to be permitted to practice. All who meet the statutory qualifications for admission to the practice of law in this State are eligible to membership. Accordingly, the question of race does not arise, and we have among our members lawyers of the colored race.

We have an annual meeting for our membership, usually held in the month of October. For the convenience of the members, the place of meeting is changed from year to year to different parts of the State. The meeting this year is scheduled for early October at Bluefield, West Virginia, this being the first time we are to meet there. Several weeks ago, we learned that some of the housing facilities upon which we counted would not be available to our members of the colored race. Our

*M. Marshall*

**Oscar J. Andre, Esquire  
President  
The West Virginia State Bar  
Union Bank Building  
Clarksburg, West Virginia**

**Dear Mr. Andre:**

**Thank you very much for your letter of July 12.**

**We are glad to learn of the response by your Executive Committee to the possibility of a discrimination problem at your forthcoming convention. Immediate and forthright action is for the best answer in situations of this sort.**

**We are grateful for the efforts of the members of the West Virginia State Bar, for we believe that effective leadership by the legal profession is essential to the peaceful solution of this crucial national problem.**

**Sincerely,**

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**Attorney General**

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the United States and a National Panel of Arbitrators in 1000 cities, as a Bar sponsored "peaceful solution" to these vital disputes? Such a program might also involve local merchant associations, especially those that have already organized bi-racial committees. The benefits of voluntary arbitration, in such disputes, are privacy, speed and economy. Publicity is not often desired by the discrimination claimant and is seldom advantageous to the businessman.

The details as to special procedures for handling such disputes, the selection of appropriate arbitrators and the financial support of the program may be worked out as the program develops.

If you desire further information or wish to discuss the matter further, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Donald E. Straus  
President

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cc: Hon. Robert F. Kennedy  
Attorney General

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1 Chase Manhattan Plaza  
New York, New York

Bernard G. Segal, Esq.  
Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis  
1719 Packard Building  
Philadelphia 2, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Tweed and Mr. Segal:

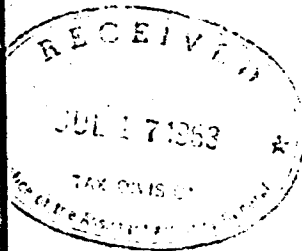
In connection with the President's Lawyers' Racial Communications Committee of which you are Chairmen, I am writing you as President of the American Arbitration Association. Mr. Whitney North Seymour, Chairman of our Law Committee, tells me that he has spoken briefly about this Committee with Mr. Tweed.

As I understand your mission, your Committee seeks "peaceful solutions" to the racial conflicts which are creating violence and tensions during this long summer.

The American Arbitration Association has been used before to achieve orderly settlement of seemingly irreconcilable controversies involving hostile parties. I refer to the voluntary arbitration of labor disputes arising out of collective bargaining agreements, today almost unanimously accepted by unions and by management.

It would be disappointing if the Association were not alert to provide a similar contribution to race relations. In fact our Executive Committee recently considered the matter and determined that, where possible, voluntary arbitration should be offered to parties in disputes involving allegations of discrimination.

May I suggest that your Committee consider utilization of the Association's facilities, including 13 regional offices throughout



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*Mr. Marshall*

Donald B. Stroms, Esquire  
President  
American Arbitration Association  
477 Madison Avenue  
New York 22, New York

Dear Mr. Stroms

Thank you for the copy of your letter of  
July 15 to Messrs. Harrison Tweed and Bernard Sagal.

Your suggestions are most interesting. We  
appreciate very much your attention to this vital  
national problem.

Sincerely,



Attorney General

# Martin Theatres

C. L. PATRICK

MARTIN BUILDING

Columbus, Georgia

July 8, 1963

Mr. Louis F. Oberdorfer  
Asst. Attorney General  
United States Dept. of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Oberdorfer:

As requested in your letter of July 2, the theatres in Chattanooga desegregated on June 24 under a planned system which has been working out very nicely. We had one incident at our Cinerama Theatre as someone put a tear gas pellet in the aisle just before intermission and it was stepped on by some of the patrons and this caused a small disturbance as the theatre had to be cleared completely and aired out before the picture could resume.

The test period was to terminate this week and the theatres would be opened totally to anyone who desired to buy a ticket. I received a call this morning from Chattanooga that C O R E had undergone a re-organization in Chattanooga and they wanted to demonstrate in front of the theatre today. I cannot understand their thoughts in this direction as the theatres are already integrated and we will sell a ticket to anyone who wants to buy one. I was advised by one of our men in Chattanooga that C O R E was disappointed that the theatres were desegregated peacefully and they want some type of excuse to demonstrate.

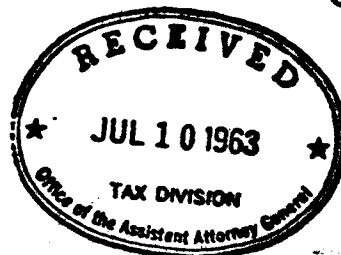
Also, I have received information that 40 restaurants, including Holiday Inns and Howard Johnsons, will desegregate on the 10th of July and that a newspaper ad will be run so notifying the public.

Sincerely yours,



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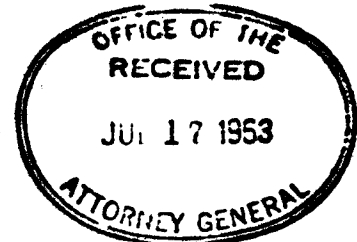
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July 12, 1963

Racial Relations Committee  
Hopewell, Virginia



Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of July 8, 1963.

As to the statement of purpose of this bi-racial committee you are entirely welcome to use it if it would be helpful in other communities. However, please do so without attribution.

Our committee does not have another meeting scheduled for another week. If the committee at that time has no objection to attribution, I will let you know. In the meantime, or in the event that it should not approve of attribution, I think it should be used if it will help with this difficult problem in other communities, though not attributed to Hopewell, Virginia.

The overcoming of doubts and fears of the white members was the great stumbling block to formation of this committee, and this statement of purpose has been helpful in getting beyond that.

We have now indulged in the great American past time of subcommitteeing and have subcommittees to deal with various areas of segregation, such as city employees, hospitals and restaurants. We are trying to show progress in the less sensitive areas first and then take up the more thorny issues. With a record of some accomplishment under our belt, these later issues should become easier.

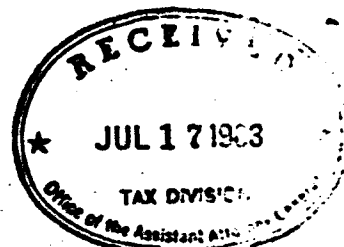
Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James G. Harrison".

James G. Harrison

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The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy  
Attorney General of the United States  
Washington, D. C.





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James G. Harrison, Esquire  
Harrison, Harrison & Aldridge  
State-Planters Bank Building  
Hopewell, Virginia

Dear Jimmy:

Thank you for your letter of July 12.

We are glad to learn of the affirmative action being taken by the leaders of the Hopewell community. We appreciate your efforts and hope that you will keep us advised.

Has the Committee since decided about attribution?

Sincerely,

JS

Attorney General