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Prof. W. L. Matthews College of Law University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky

Dear W. L.

I have just heard that you have been elected to succeed Elvis as Dean in July and that Elvis is going to Pittsburgh. Congratulations! I had thought you would be Dean about now, but I had based that on the fact that I thought and hoped that Elvis would become President there. I am sorry that he is leaving the state, but am pleased at his advancement and at yours.

Several Murray students, who have had your courses, have spoken to me about you without knowing that we were relatives. They have all praised your thoroughness and your high standards. I am pleased to see that the program of making the law degree a tough one to get at Kentucky will be maintained.

One chap with whom I talked a great deal about you was Ed Overbey who, I understand, flunked out. I begged Ed to wait until he completed his degree before going to Law School, because he was just beginning to learn how to study. His last year at Murray showed great improvement over his earlier work in that he began to spend some time in reading, but at the time he left he had not learned how to organize what he knew. He is back at Murray and I don't know what he plans to do.

My work keeps me busy. I have concentrated since coming to Washington in September on interviews with General Marshall and some of his associates. I am also working in some of his papers. My permanent location is Lexington, Virginia, but I may have to be here another year. Should you and your wife get up here any time in the near future, please call me at the Pentagon-LIberty 5-6700, extension 54204, or at our Arlington apartment-Jackson 7-4047. Our address is 5214 8th Road South, Arlington 4, Virginia.

Our best wishes to your family and all the best in your new job.