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July 24, 1957

Mr. Robert K. Bell
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Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Bob:

I am writing you in strictest confidence.

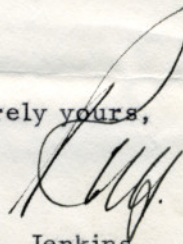
The enclosed letter from Martindale-Hubbell, Inc., speaks for itself.

Of course, it goes without saying that the confidential form sent me has been filled out properly, *and returned.*

I miss you and "the gang". When in the dickens are we all going to get together and celebrate? Well, I will tell you when; it will be during the football season, - some week-end when Tennessee plays an important game in Knoxville.

My best to you and Carolyn always.

Sincerely yours,



Ray H. Jenkins

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Dear Mr. Jenkins:

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

This will acknowledge with thanks the confidential report on Keller Smith submitted with your letter of July 5th.

Your recommendation of Mr. Smith is very much appreciated and will be considered along with those received on him from other sources.

We also appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing us regarding Robert K. Bell of Huntsville, Alabama, with whom you have been intimately associated recently in the celebrated trial of Colonel John C. Nickerson, Jr., which has just been concluded.

An examination of our files discloses that the matter of Mr. Bell's rating has not gone without our attention; and whereas previous investigations have produced some endorsements for the "a v", sufficient were not received to support the publication of that rating for him.

It may be, however, that his activities in Colonel Nickerson's case have afforded him an opportunity to demonstrate capabilities that may not heretofore have been known to the sources that we contact in that area.

Accordingly, we shall be pleased to proceed immediately with a further investigation of him. So that your recommendation will be in the same form as others to be received, we would appreciate it if you will note your opinion beneath the categories on the enclosed form.

I cannot close this letter without saying a special "Thank you, Mr. Jenkins" for the courtesy that you extended Mr. Duffy, a new and very

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Mr. Ray H. Jenkins
Knoxville, Tennessee

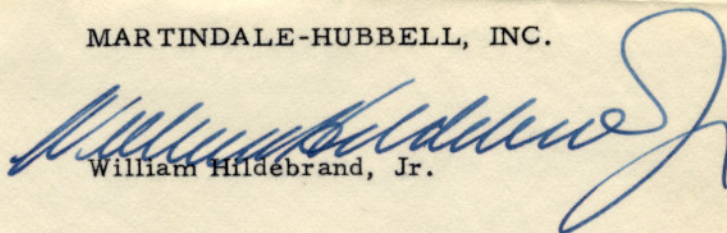
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promising member of our field staff, when he was in Knoxville earlier this year. In relating the visit with you it was abundantly evident how much it had meant to him.

Very truly yours,

MARTINDALE-HUBBELL, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Hildebrand, Jr.", is written over the typed name. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

William Hildebrand, Jr.

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Enclosure