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Mr. Howard P. Willens  
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Dear Howard,

The second batch of material came yesterday with your welcome letter. I am wading through the material and will have some reaction shortly. My initial reaction to the papers on the legislature and civil rights is more favorable than to the earlier one which I read although I continue to have reservations about style and the extent of content. Your letter brought a good deal of relief for me. While I am disappointed that this potential experience cannot be firmed up, I feel the additional time may help us all. On the personal it enables me to fulfill a promise to my youngest that I would take him to Scotland for a week. On the professional, it eases the concern I expressed to you in my last letter about having time to do the job you had laid out.

The check is greatly appreciated although I had submitted my statement not for payment but just for the record. You are a good employer.

At your earliest convenience please share with me your appraisal of what I am doing for you and also lay-out a work plan for me. I am particularly concerned to know whether my critical comments on the papers are of any use to you--from both a substantive and stylistic angle. Am I constructive and trenchant or do I just seem to be a carping academic? Do you want me to continue in this fashion and/or to rewrite my stuff embracing your criticisms and/or to try my hand at some rewriting of the material sent to me? Save for the Scotland excursion I can give you most of my time until September if you want it.

Sincerely,

  
John P. Wheeler, Jr.

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