

The Honorable Marguerite Stitt Church
300 Church Street
Evanston, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Church:

I have your letter of 15 September regarding the case of [redacted] who was an applicant for a position with this Agency. [redacted] has brought his case to the attention of several members of the House and Senate and the office of the Vice President, and we have taken great pains in each instance to inform them of the facts in the matter.

It is quite true that at one time we did evince strong interest in the possibility of employing [redacted]. However, for reasons of economy we have drastically curtailed our hiring of new personnel, and therefore we found it necessary to inform [redacted] that we would be unable to employ him at this time. It was our feeling that he understood our position in this matter. The fact that he has complained to so many people about us is most regrettable.

I wish to point out that [redacted] never signed any contract to start work with CIA. Furthermore, he was informed by our Personnel people during original interviews that, while we were interested in his employment, we could give him no definite answer until completion of a security investigation which normally takes at least 90 days. During that period, word reached us that [redacted] was planning to sell his home in California and move himself and his family to Washington. As soon as we heard this rumor, we got in touch with [redacted] and informed him that, if

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he was making this move on the basis of future employment with CIA, he should not do so until a final appointment was offered to him. [redacted] chose to ignore this advice and resigned his position, sold his home, and moved to Washington.

We have made several attempts to assist [redacted] in locating other employment, and I hope that we may be successful in that regard. STAT

I trust that this explanation will serve to allay your fears that we have been arbitrary in our handling of this case.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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The Honorable Leverett Saltonstall
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Saltonstall:

Thank you for your letter of 18 September 1953,
in behalf of [redacted] who is in-
terested in employment with this Agency.

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[redacted] came in for an interview with one
of our Personnel Officers on 23 September 1953. Un-
fortunately, we do not have a suitable vacancy for a
man with his particular qualifications, and he was so
informed. As you know, we are doing very little hir-
ing at the present time, but if an appropriate open-
ing should occur in the future, we shall contact Mr.
[redacted] directly.

Your interest in our organization is greatly
appreciated.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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