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Dear Larry:

Quite by accident, and in a way that will become immediately apparent, I have learned of your present location, and, politician that I am, I am immediately asking your attention to a matter in a way that will be beneficial to your organization as well as gratifying to me.

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A good friend of mine, [REDACTED] has informed me that his application for employment as Attorney at present reposes on the desk of "Mr. Lawrence R. Houston, Counsel for the C.I.A." The name, of course, rang a bell, and inquiry confirmed my first conclusion. Congratulations on your success in such interesting work!

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From 1 August 1947 thru 30 November 1947, while on Temporary Duty from the Office of Chief of Counsel, Nurnburg, I had daily business contact with [REDACTED] who is Attorney in the Nurnburg Division of the War Crimes Branch at Washington. I found him most cooperative and very interested in the work. He was occupied in accomplishing what was almost the impossible, securing in Washington, statements and documents, to meet the changing and urgent needs of cases in progress in Nurnburg. His work called for diplomacy, adaptability, patience and discretion (since much information of a highly confidential nature and involving policy came across his desk). To my own knowledge he was very good at the work. Im sure that you would find his services as helpful as did I.

Just a brief word of myself. Just before Christmas 1945 I returned from the Pacific and hopefully if not eagerly returned to W. & C. Things were most disorganized there and the prospects for me not very encouraging. As a result I jumped at the change to go to Nurnburg in April 1946. I spent an interesting 16 months there and worked 4 more at War Crimes in Washington. Currently Im trying to put a bit of momentum into this legal "push cart" or, if you will, "cubby hole". However, Im happy and hopeful. And, at long last, expecting to marry in April, and am one of the few people with an apartment to move into.

Drop me a line, at leisure Larry, and give my best regards to your wife.

Jim Conway