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January 25, 1955

Dr. Le Moyne Snyder
705 American State Bank Building
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Dear Le Moyne:

The Executive Committee extends an invitation to you, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, to be its guest at a luncheon on Wednesday, February 16, 12 o'clock noon, in Conference Room 4 of the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles.

A report to the Executive Committee of the activities of your Committee is scheduled for 4:30 PM on February 16. A written report must be available to the Secretary, and should you by some unfortunate circumstance not be able to report in person, will you kindly forward your report to me prior to February 10.

Cordially,



W. J. R. Camp

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For: Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
From: ESGardner

January 31, 1955

A. W. Freireich, M.D., President
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
180 Hempstead Avenue
Malverne, New York

Dear Dr. Freireich:

Under date of January 12, 1955, I have received copy of a report from the committee on amending the constitution of the ~~American Academy of Forensic Sciences~~, and have been very much interested in the draft submitted.

I am entirely in accord with the general idea presented in that draft, but I would like to call your attention to certain inescapable rules of economy which are going to govern you in connection with this type of organization.

Regardless of how rosy the future may seem at the start, an organization of this kind cannot accomplish anything without having adequate funds. A section can't function unless it can exchange views, keep records and make reports. Doctors can donate their time and undoubtedly will be willing to do so, but as more and more is accomplished it becomes more and more necessary to engage in voluminous correspondence, in sectional meetings which must be attended, in the keeping of minutes, in the preparation of reports, etc.

The question is, where is this money going to come from?

If you have a small, select membership in which the voting power rests in the hands of the Fellows, you probably aren't going to have a great number of associate members. You are going to have great difficulty raising sufficient funds from dues to carry on the work of the organization in the way that it should be carried on. As I see it, this means that it is going to be necessary to prepare a case which will interest one of the foundations and obtain foundation moneys to carry on the work of the organization.

If this is going to be done, it seems to me that the organization should very deliberately start planning its activities so that an attractive picture can be presented to one of the foundations.

If you expect to carry on the organization from dues, it seems to me that it is going to be necessary to increase the base of the structure so that you have a greater number of dues-paying members.

As the organization is presented at the present time, I don't think it is going to be of great interest to very many attorneys.

Sometime ago Fred Inbau wrote me about what could be done to get larger numbers of attorneys in the membership. I made some suggestions to him concerning persons who could be of some help.

The point is that lawyers are not going to pay dues to this organization and join it unless they get some benefit out of so doing.

If I am going to serve on a committee dealing with finance, I would like to have something to sell. In other words, if this committee is going to approach a foundation, careful plans should be laid for such approach. If it is going to have to work with dues, I feel that that subject should be given careful thought.

Personally, I doubt very much if it is going to be advisable to try and get a large number of associate members in the medical profession. My own feeling is that these people will join in the hope that they can be made Fellows; that if their permanent classification becomes that of associates they will pay dues for one or two years and will then

drop out (unless, of course, some program can be worked out by which they will be given some benefit from membership). As far as the attorneys are concerned, there is no reason whatever to classify attorneys as associate members, nor to classify them as Fellows. It would seem to me, therefore, that this committee should give some careful consideration to the question of whether it is desired to have attorneys as members and if so, what can be done to establish a separate classification of attorney members.

If you provide a separate legal section and provide that automatically any attorney in good standing who is accepted into the organization becomes a member of this legal section - a section in which there are neither fellowships nor associate members - and if you further provide that these attorneys shall receive a bulletin giving a condensation, in terms that a non-medical man can understand, of the research work being done by the Academy, it may well be possible to get a large number of dues paying attorneys. That is, however speculative. It will have to be ascertained after the scheme is given a trial. The question is whether you want to give it a trial. If you want to finance the organization from dues, it seems to me that something of this sort must be done. Otherwise, the only other alternative is to finance it by donations or funds from a foundation.

These are only my personal views. Because time is so short I haven't discussed the matter with Dr. Snyder, although I am sending him a copy of this letter. I am sending a copy of the letter to Russell Fisher, as Chairman of the committee.

It seems to me that a fellowship in the Academy should mean a great deal in terms of distinction, not only to the members of the Academy but to the general public. If that is to be accomplished, it will be necessary to do considerable work in the field of public relations. It will be necessary to lay such a foundation that courts will recognize Fellows of The American Academy of Forensic Sciences as an aristocracy in the intellectual field of legal medicine. It will mean that attorneys everywhere will know of this recognition so that when they wish to employ an expert whose opinion will be given great weight by courts and by juries, the first selection will be that of a Fellow of the Academy.

If only the members of the Academy know that fellowship in the Academy is a distinction of note, you will all be living in a refined atmosphere of intellectual isolation. If the legal profession, the courts, and a good section of the American public know that fellowship in the Academy represents one of the highest honors which can be conferred by professional men, there will be an opportunity for continued expansion, greater research, and gradually weeding out the incompetent experts who prate glibly of their qualifications on the witness stand.

Unless there is some development in the field of public relations, it won't mean any more to a judge or a jury for a man to state that he is a Fellow in The American Academy of Forensic Sciences than for some doctor to state that he was awarded a citation from the self-perpetuating association of occupational expert witnesses for the plaintiff.

As one who quite frequently studies transcripts in which it is apparent that doctors who have qualified as expert witnesses and whose expertness is in the field of being a witness rather than in the field of medicine, I certainly hope that the overall plans of the Academy include some way of impressing upon judges, upon attorneys and upon the general public the fact that a Fellow of the Academy has been conferred the highest honor possible by a group of colleagues who are in every way competent to judge those qualifications.

I think you are all agreed that this is one of the objectives of the organization. The question is how to put it into effect. That calls for skillful public relations and it also calls for a certain amount of money. It seems to me to be important to determine how this money is going to be raised.

I am quite willing to confess my ignorance in connection with these matters. I am assuming that there aren't enough Fellows to pay sufficient dues to accomplish the objectives of the Academy. If, therefore, it is intended to raise the bulk of dues from associate members and from legal members, it seems to me that matter should be given consideration at this time. If it is intended to raise money from a foundation, those who are familiar with the type of approach which appeals to the established foundations should start giving the matter consideration.

A. W. Freireich, M.D.

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January 31, 1955

My thoughts are simply those of one who is very much interested in the administration of justice and who feels that the time has come when it is necessary for some device to be worked out by which the field of the expert witness cannot be dominated by incompetents, who can glibly recite a list of qualifications sufficient to impress an uneducated juror, or a judge who hasn't familiarized himself with significant developments in the field.

I have no personal axe to grind. All that I ask is that the Academy do a good job, and I would like to do what I can to help it do a good job. I don't know enough about the situation to make suggestions - only enough to raise questions for the Academy to consider and answer.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

ESG:hr

cc: Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
Dr. Russell S. Fisher

February 1, 1955

Dr. Russell S. Fisher
700 Fleet Street
Baltimore 2, Maryland

Dear Russ:

Doctor Freireich discussed with Doctor Snyder the advisability of appointing me on a committee to study the financial structure of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences.

I gather from Doctor Snyder that the function of this committee would be to provide the sinews of war for the Academy, or to make suggestions as to how that could be done.

I wrote Doctor Freireich that I understood there was a group within the Academy who objected to my being considered even as an associate member. I explained that my entire interest in the Academy was that of giving it a boost in the field of public relations in the early days of its organization when it needed to have people know about it. I explained that under the circumstances I didn't want to serve on any committee, nor did I care to attend meetings as long as this feeling existed.

Doctor Freireich told me that this feeling was confined entirely to one man, and that he felt that I could be of some good to the organization.

My time is pretty much taken up and I am not anxious to incur any new responsibilities. I would much prefer not to

be on any committee but to work in cooperation with any committee where I could.

Your release of January 12th with the constitution, raises an interesting question in view of the fact that sometime earlier I was asked by Fred Inbau to make recommendations as to what could be done to interest attorneys in the Academy.

This is a selfish world. You can't interest attorneys unless you can make them feel that they are going to get some good out of belonging to the Academy.

I don't know enough about doctors to know how they will feel about associate members. My own idea is that most of the experts who join the organization will do so in the hope they will be elected Fellows, and if they are not they will quit paying dues.

There is no reason to have any class distinction among attorneys as to Fellows or associate members. There is every reason for doing so in the case of the doctor or other person who may be called on as an expert witness.

If you have a large membership among attorneys and judges, you can get a backlog of dues that will help your financial problem and it will be the easiest method of letting the judges and the lawyers understand what a distinction it is to be a Fellow of the Academy. If you want this membership, however, you have got to figure out some way of getting it, and then have got to go to work trying to get it.

If you don't want this membership, as I see it, your financial problem will require donations and such donations can only be counted on with regularity from one of the foundations.

I am sending you enough copies of this letter and of the letter to Doctor Freireich so that you can pass them on to the other members of your committee if you desire.

I think in all probability there will be a conflict of opinion among members of the Academy as to just what they want, and I think that a good many of them have never even considered the problem. Therefore, in my capacity as an outsider looking in, I only want to raise the problem, but I do think it is something that has to be faced and that this is the time to face it.

February 1, 1955

If you want lawyers as members, I think you're going to have to provide for a legal section. Membership in the legal section will be of one class, it will be granted to any attorney in good standing who is a member of his local bar and who is vouched for by two members of the bar who are members in good standing. Such attorneys will have no voting right, will have no word to say about whether a man should be a Fellow or an associate member, but will enjoy privileges of the floor and serve on committees, bringing about a closer understanding between the goals of the Academy and the administration of justice and, above all, can receive from time to time a bulletin advising them as to the latest developments in the field of science explored by Fellows of the Academy. -- Or whatever ideas you folks may have along these lines. -- I mention the above not as suggestions, but by way of illustration to show that an attorney who pays X-dollars a year in dues should feel that he is getting X plus Y dollars in benefits; otherwise he isn't going to pay dues.

I have just returned from New York. I was hoping very much that I could get down to Baltimore, but a whole series of emergency developments arose and I had to grab a fast plane back to the coast. --Traveled for the first time on one of those non-stop planes which left New York at noon and arrived in Los Angeles at 5:45 Pacific time. It certainly is a way to get places in a hurry.

I'd like to hear from you as to your individual reactions on this thing, because I feel that, while the present problems of the Academy are organizational, it will very soon develop that their primary problem is financial. And if I am going to be asked to do anything about it, I would like very much to know just what the situation is.

Kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Dr. A. W. Freireich
Dr. LeMoyne Snyder

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

STATE CRIME LABORATORY

MADISON

May 10, 1957

Mr. LeMoyne Snyder
325 Valley View Drive
Paradise, California


Dear LeMoyne:

In order to save my poor secretary, I am enclosing a copy of a letter which is today going forward to Uncle Erle at Temecula. In case he is up north, you might kick this around with him and one or the other of you might reply, if you would be so kind, prior to May 22.

Also, what suggestions do you have concerning the Crime Laboratory and points of interest that would be worthwhile in Italy.

Kindest Personal Regards.

Yours very truly,


C. M. Wilson
Superintendent

101/nrm

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WISCONSIN STATE CRIME LABORATORY
917 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
MADISON 5,
WISCONSIN

May 10, 1957

Mr. Erle Stanley Gardner
Rancho Del Paisano
Temecula, California

Dear Uncle Erle:

We missed you very much at the last meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences in Chicago. You missed an excellent meeting.

I have just learned by long-distance telephone that I am shortly to leave for overseas on a consulting assignment for the federal government. I anticipate that this assignment will take from three to four months and I hope to be able to return via Europe.

My purpose in writing you at this time is to explore possible contacts that can be developed with Scotland Yard since I hope to be able to visit London. I also plan to include the West-Riding Constabulary since I understand it is the birthplace of the modus operandi system which has since been copied by Scotland Yard, Vollmer and some of his students. What suggestions do you have that relate to contacts that can be made by letter in advance with Scotland Yard and the West Riding Constabulary.

Incase you are not at Temecula and are up north, I am directing a similar request to LeMoyné so you might kick this request around with him and then one or the other of you might reply.

I expect to leave on Tuesday, May 14, for Washington, and do not expect to go overseas until after May 22. Therefore, there should be plenty of time to reach me here at the Laboratory.

Please give my kindest personal regards to LeMoyné.

Yours sincerely,

C. M. Wilson
Superintendent

101/nrm

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LeMoyné Snyder

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January 28, 1958

Dr. Val B. Satterfield
4500 Olive Street
St. Louis 8, Missouri

Dear Val:

Enclosed is a letter from Mark F. Joseff, Esq. of Downey, California which I thought would be of interest to you especially in view of the fact that Mr. Joseff and his associates are considering making application for membership in the Academy of Forensic Sciences. I thought the work he outlined extremely interesting and worthwhile. A copy of my reply to Mr. Joseff is enclosed.

If you have some extra copies of the program for the coming session I would appreciate it if you would send Mr. Joseff one and I hope that it will be possible for him to attend the coming Seminar. With all good wishes.

Sincerely,

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

CC: Erle Stanley Gardner

LEMOYNE SNYDER, M.D.

325 VALLEY VIEW DRIVE

PARADISE, CALIFORNIA

LEGAL MEDICINE

TRINITY 7-5579

December 17, 1958

Dr. W. J. R. Camp
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
1853 West Polk Street
Chicago 12, Illinois

Dear Walt:

Re: Mark F. Joseff, LL.B.
(Psychiatry Section applicant)
Attorney at Law for 6 years, self-
employed
Downey, California

It is a pleasure to recommend Mr. Joseff for membership in the Academy. I have had considerable contact with him during the past year and have been very interested in some original work he has been doing in the field of marriage relations and juvenile problems.

I know his work to be well thought of in this part of the country and I believe he would be a definite asset to the organization.

Sincerely,

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

LS/rm

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF FORENSIC SCIENCES

Office of the Secretary-Treasurer

W. J. R. CAMP, M. D., Ph. D.

1853 West Polk Street

Chicago 12, Ill.

December 9, 1958

Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
325 Valley View Drive
Paradise, California

Dear LeMoyne:

Mark F. Joseff, LL.B.

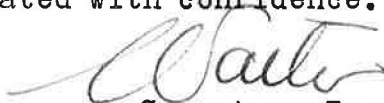
(Psychiatry Section applicant)

Attorney at Law for 6 years, self-employed
Downey, California

has made application for membership, and has given your name as reference. According to the Constitution of the Academy "membership shall be available only to those persons of professional competency, integrity and good moral character

- (a) who are actively engaged in the field of forensic science and who have made some significant contribution to the literature of forensic science; or
- (b) who have advanced the cause of forensic science in some other significant manner; or
- (c) who are pursuing a career which has as its purpose the attainment of either of the foregoing objectives (a) or (b)."

I would appreciate it greatly if you would write your frank opinion of this candidate and forward the letter to me, IN DUPLICATE, at your very earliest convenience since the application cannot be processed until this material is available. I can assure you that your opinion will be treated with confidence.



Secretary-Treasurer

January 22, 1959

Dr. W. J. R. Camp
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
1853 West Polk Street
Chicago 12, Illinois

Dear Walter:

Nathan W. Heller, LL.B.
(Criminalistics Section applicant)
Attorney in private practice
1937-1944, Asst. Dist. Attorney of
Milwaukee County
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

I have known Nat Heller very well for about ten years. He is one of the original founders of the Academy for Scientific Interrogation and has been a very prominent practicing lawyer in Milwaukee for many years.

In my opinion he is well qualified for membership in the AAFS and I recommend his acceptance for membership without qualification. The Academy will be enhancing its own prestige by having him included in its roster.

Sincerely,

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

LS/rm

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W. J. R. CAMP, M. D., Ph. D.

1853 West Polk Street

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January 9, 1959

Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
325 Valley View Drive
Paradise, California

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(Criminalistics Section applicant)

Attorney in private practice

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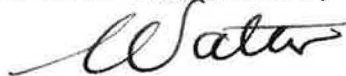
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Secretary-Treasurer

February 4, 1959

Dr. Francis E. Camps
37 Welbeck Street
London, W.1., England

Dear Francis:

I was delighted to note on the program that you are to present a paper at the meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. I intend to be there and eagerly look forward to a nice visit with you. You are going back and forth across the Atlantic so often that you will be wearing a groove in it.

With all good wishes and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

LS/rm

37 Welbeck Street,
London, W.1.

29th January, 1959.

Dear LeMoyne,

Just a short note to let you know that I am
hoping to be in Chicago for the Academy Meeting in February
and look forward as usual very much to seeing you.
I do hope that you will be there.

Yours,

Francis

BY AIR MAIL
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Dr. Le Moyne Snyder,

325 Valley View Drive,

Paradise,

California,

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Sender's name and address: Dr. F.E. Camps

37 Welbeck Street,

London, W.1.

AN AIR LETTER SHOULD NOT CONTAIN ANY
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OR SENT BY ORDINARY MAIL.

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May 4th, 1959

Mr. C.M. Wilson, Superintendent
State Crime Laboratory
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Charlie:

Fortunately I happened to be stopping over for an hour or two in Omaha and Al happened to have the petition for abolishing the certification program so I signed it.

As I recall it, at that time he showed me a letter from Chick saying that he was getting together some materials with reference to the other matter. Any time that Chick is ready to go on that I shall be glad to write the letter that I promised I would at the meeting in Chicago. What was done to Chick in my opinion was vicious and completely inexcusable. I have no doubt that when the fact of that matter becomes known to the membership at large the other members will be as shocked and disgusted as I was about the whole deal.

My very best to yourself and Jane and I look forward to getting together again with you soon.

Sincerely,

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LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

CC to C.B. Hanscom

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

STATE CRIME LABORATORY

MADISON

April 30, 1959

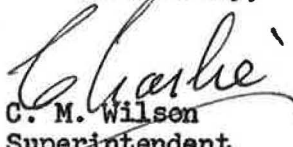
Dr. LeMoyne Snyder, M.D., LL.D.
325 Valley View Drive
Paradise, California

Dear LeMoyne:

I received today from Chick Hanscom via air mail - special delivery, a copy of the petition that he prepared and which I noticed you had signed. I have signed it and passed it on to Chick today by air mail.

It is my recollection that you were to prepare a letter which would be the basis of pressing formal charges against those members of the Academy who were the subject of our discussions and who, it would appear, had brought discredit upon the Academy and themselves by their rather strange conduct. I have heard nothing from you concerning this and wonder what you have in mind concerning the filing of formal charges which, in your judgment, are justified by the evidence and documentation that has been collected.

Yours sincerely,


C. M. Wilson
Superintendent

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CC: Mr. C. B. Hanscom

December 2, 1959

Dr. W. J. R. Camp
University of Illinois
1853 West Polk Street
Chicago 12, Illinois

Dear Dr. Camp:

I am enclosing two copies of the application of Professor Leopold Breitenacker for membership in the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. I am sure that in due course you will receive a sponsoring letter from Dr. LeMoyne Snyder.

I have known Professor Breitenacker for many years and he is undoubtedly one of the foremost experts in legal medicine in the world. Since his principal interest is in forensic pathology, I would suppose that he should be in that section.

Very truly yours,

Alan R. Moritz, M. D.

ARM:mkb

Enclosures

bcc: Dr. LeMoyne Snyder

April 23, 1962

Dr. W.J.R. Camp
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
1853 West Polk Street
Chicago 12, Illinois

Dear Walt:

I presume Mrs. Brunner will be calling on you and, as I know nothing about her difficulty, I thought you might be able to give her some advice.

Louise and I just returned from a vacation in Hawaii and it is a little hard to get back to work again.

All best to you and Polly.

Sincerely,

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LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

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April 23, 1962

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Mrs. Anne Brunner
c/o Mr. Lawrence Rubinstein
10 S. LaSalle Street
Chicago 3, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Brunner:

Your letter to Mr. Erle Stanley
Gardner has been forwarded to me for reply.

As I know nothing about your
particular problem I suggest that you contact
the Secretary of the American Academy of Forensic
Sciences who is Dr. Walter J.R. Camp, 1853 West
Polk Street, Chicago 12, Illinois. It is possible
his telephone may be listed under the University
of Illinois Medical School which is where his
office is located at the above address. Dr. Camp
is in close touch with all of the people in the
medicolegal field in the Chicago area and I feel
sure that he will be glad to refer you to someone
who is well qualified to advise you on your
problem.

Very truly yours,

LMS/vr

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

June 2, 1962

Milton Helpern, M.D.
Chief Medical Examiner
520 First Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Milt:

I shall be very happy to help you in any way I can even to becoming Chairman of the Education Committee although it is very vague in my mind just what the activities of the Committee are supposed to be. As Ralph Turner is in the field of education it would strike me that he would be a much better qualified person to be chairman of this committee and I would be very happy to serve under him as chairman. In fact I think it would be much better that way but at any rate whatever you decide will be perfectly agreeable with me and that also applies to any other members of the committee you desire to appoint.

I am going back to Oklahoma City again in a couple of weeks to testify on the civil suit on the Williford case and I imagine you will probably be there also. If so it will be wonderful to see you again and I shall always remember with pleasure the time we had together last Fall.

All best to Bea and yourself and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

IMS/vr

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

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CITY OF NEW YORK
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

520 FIRST AVENUE

NEW YORK 16, N. Y.

MILTON HELPERN, M.D.
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER

AGNES F. STOREY
ACTING SECRETARY

May 22, 1962

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.
325 Valley View Drive
Paradise, California

Dear LeMoyne:

It was very thoughtful of you to have sent me a telegram of congratulations on the occasion of my 60th birthday and the founding of the Library of Legal Medicine which has been named in my honor. Many thanks for this kindness. I have always been very proud to have you as a friend.

As President of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, I should like to take this opportunity to ask you to serve as Chairman of the Education Committee which I am activating. As you recall, Sam Gerber, in his presidential address, pointed out that one of the important purposes of an academy such as ours, was education in the specialty fields with which it is ~~not~~ now concerned. Ralph Turner spoke to me at the meeting and offered to be of assistance in arranging a program on the Wednesday preceding the regular sessions which would take the form of roundtable or panel discussion on the need for encouraging qualified and promising people to enter the field of criminalistics. He agreed to help in any way in setting up such a program. It would appear that this could well become a project for the Education Committee to develop.

I am hopeful that you will accept the chairmanship of the Education Committee, which, according to the by-laws, consists of a total membership of three. Would you want to have Frank Turner work with you on this committee, and is there anyone else whom you would like to have as a third member? With you and Frank, the forensic pathology and criminalistic sections would be represented. Would you want to have someone from the section on toxicology? In which case, I might suggest Herman Jones. Before writing to Herman and Frank, I would like to have your opinion.

Beatrice joins me in sending you kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Milton Helpern, M.D.

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MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EAST LANSING

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCE • SCHOOL OF POLICE ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY

January 14, 1963

LeMoyne Snyder, M. D.
325 Valley View Drive
Box 1125
Paradise, California

Dear LeMoyne:

I was away from the office during the Christmas holidays and what with winter term registration and being with Dave McCandess last week, I am just finding time to answer your letter. Please accept my apology for this delay.

You will recall that at the 1962 meeting of the Academy, Sam Gerber, in his Presidential Address, talked at considerable length about the responsibility of the academy in looking into educational matters in the forensic sciences. In essence he recommended the creation of an educational committee. Milt Helpern has followed through and appointed a three-man educational committee.

I assume that the primary function of this committee is to familiarize ourselves with the constitution and see what the mechanics are for the creation of a new section probably devoted to education. Undoubtedly we should draft some proposals which would cover the scope and purpose of such a section, initiate a round-table discussion about the role of an education section, and be prepared to offer some resolutions in this next meeting in an effort to get something started consistent with Sam's recommendations.

After you reread Sam's address, which is Volume 7, No. 3 of the A.A.F.S. Journal, I suspect you may infer as I did that he was visualizing a section which would address itself to not only the educational requirements and curriculum matters of the medical schools insofar as they apply to forensic pathology but also is thinking about training in toxicology, jurisprudence, criminalistics and some general training for police officers as is offered for example in his program at Western Reserve, the short courses at Michigan State and the many similar programs you are familiar with in California. (This is quite a sentence, but I couldn't stop myself.)

As a matter of additional information which I think would be of interest to this committee, I am enclosing Senate Bill No. 2984 which was introduced by Senator Hart. I talked with Hart this summer; and he advised that after introducing the bill he sent it to quite a number of people around the country who

January 14, 1963

would be interested in this sort of thing and solicited their comments. He said he was well pleased with the response and would incorporate the suggestions in a revised bill which he intends to introduce again this year. It seems to me that if the Congress is thinking along these lines the academy committee on education section should be in a position to say something important about this proposal.

I do not have anything further to add at this time except to say that I will be most happy to do whatever you would suggest and will be able to come to Chicago the day before the meeting if you want to call some kind of a conference to get things started.

Looking forward to seeing you next month, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. F. Turner".

Ralph F. Turner
Professor

RFT:am
Enc.

Mr. Jones
87TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 2984

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 13, 1962

Mr. HART (for himself, Mr. JAVITS, Mr. CLARK, Mr. KEATING, Mr. DOUGLAS, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. HUMPHREY, Mr. LONG of Missouri, Mr. CASE of New Jersey, Mr. DIRKSEN, Mr. MORSE, Mr. BUSH, Mr. KUCHEL, Mr. PROXMIRE, and Mr. WILLIAMS of New Jersey) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare

A BILL

To establish a matching grant program to be administered by the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare to improve the education, training, and recruitment of State and local police forces.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, in
4 consultation with the Attorney General, shall establish and
5 maintain a program under which he shall provide grants in-
6 aid to any State or local government to assist such State or
7 local government in the establishment or operation of pro-

1 grams designed to improve the professional quality of State
2 or local police forces.

3 Sec. 2. The Secretary shall approve a program estab-
4 lished by a State or local government for a grant-in-aid only
5 upon application by the State or local government and only
6 upon his finding that the program will provide for one or
7 more of the following:

8 (a) Development and use of selection tests and
9 standards to be used in selection of recruits for employ-
10 ment as police officers;

11 (b) Development and maintenance of training pro-
12 grams in scientific methods of crime detection;

13 (c) Development and maintenance of training pro-
14 grams in constitutional rights and human relations;

15 (d) Development and maintenance of college level
16 schools of police administration; and

17 (e) Development and maintenance of scholarship
18 programs to assist police officers to receive training in
19 schools of police administration.

20 Sec. 3. To finance any program approved under this
21 Act the Federal contribution shall be 50 per centum and the
22 State or local contribution shall be 50 per centum.

23 Sec. 4. Nothing contained in this Act shall be con-
24 strued to authorize any department, agency, officer, or em-

1 ployee of the United States to exercise any direction, super-
2 vision, or control over the organization, administration, or
3 personnel of any police agency.

4 SEC. 5. All programs operating under the provisions
5 of this Act must be administered without discrimination
6 based on race, color, religion, or national origin.

7 SEC. 6. (a) The Secretary of Health, Education, and
8 Welfare may establish a Federal Advisory Committee on
9 Police Procedures to advise him on the administration of
10 this program. The Committee may elect officers and meet
11 at the order of its chairman. But its decisions will not bind
12 the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare on any
13 matter.

14 (b) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare
15 shall invite the highest officer of the following organizations
16 to be a member of the Advisory Committee or to designate
17 a member of his organization to be a member: International
18 Association of Chiefs of Police; National Sheriff's Associa-
19 tion; Conference of Chief Justices; American Bar Associa-
20 tion; National Association of Attorneys General; National
21 Institute of Municipal Law Officers; National Legal Aid and
22 Defender Association; American Civil Liberties Union; and
23 the National Association of County and Prosecuting At-
24 torneys. In addition, the Secretary of Health, Education,

1 and Welfare may designate such other individuals as he may
2 desire, not exceeding four, to serve on the Advisory Com-
3 mittee.

4 (c) Members of any such committee not otherwise in
5 the employ of the United States, while attending meetings
6 of their committee, shall be entitled to receive compensation
7 at a rate to be fixed by the Secretary, but not exceeding \$75
8 per diem, including travel time, and while away from their
9 homes or regular places of business they may be allowed
10 travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as
11 authorized by law (section 73b-2 of title 5) for persons in
12 the Government service employed intermittently. The pro-
13 visions of section 583 of title 20 shall apply to members of
14 such committees.

15 SEC. 7. As used in this chapter, the term "State" in-
16 cludes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of
17 Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American
18 Samoa.

19 SEC. 8. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated
20 such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of
21 this Act.

January 30, 1963

COPY
Milton Helpern, M.D.
Chief Medical Examiner
City of New York
520 First Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Milt:

Sometime ago you told me that you would like to propose my name at the coming meeting for President of the Academy of Forensic Sciences and I believe that I told you that I would accept the position if it were offered.

In recent days I have been giving the matter considerable thought and have concluded that it would be unwise for me to accept the responsibility of that position---at least this year. I have several exceedingly important court cases coming up in the next two or three months and I am trying to jockey things around so that possibly Louise and I can go to London for the meeting in April. In the meeting coming up in Chicago I will have to leave Thursday afternoon to return for a hearing before the supreme court on February 18th.

This case involves Paul Imbler and it constitutes one of the most shocking miscarriages of justice that I have ever encountered. This man, completely innocent, was railroaded on a murder charge and I, with the help of some others that I got interested in the matter, stalled his execution with less than a week to go.

I want to tell you how much I appreciate your thoughtfulness in suggesting me as a candidate for President of the Academy and I can assure you that your friendship over the past years is one of my proudest possessions. Possibly if things clear up a little I might accept a candidacy at some future time. My very best to Be and I look forward to seeing you in Chicago where I want to congratulate you on conducting the affairs of the organization most successfully this year.

Sincerely,

LMS/vr

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND 6, OHIO

SCHOOL OF LAW
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

March 13, 1963

Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
325 Valley View Drive
Box 1125
Paradise, California

Dear LeMoyne:

Many thanks for your March 11th letter. I understand your position on the Education Committee and accept your suggestion.

I hope we can get together sometime and discuss common problems.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ollie".

Oliver Schroeder, Jr.
Acting Dean
For Administrative Affairs

OS:mb

March 11, 1963

Oliver Schroeder, Jr., Esq.
Western Reserve University
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Oliver:

Last Summer Milt appointed me Chairman of the Educational Committee. Also appointed to serve on the Committee Ralph Turner and Joe Umberger. Unfortunately nothing was accomplished this past year due to several factors.

I had a very vague notion of the purpose of this committee and what was hoped to be accomplished. At the time of the meeting last month it was my intention to go over the whole proposition with Ralph, Joe, Milt and yourself and try to arrive at some definite ideas as to what might be accomplished. Too late to make any change in plans, I became involved in a Hearing before the Supreme Court of California which occupied two weeks during which time the Chicago meeting was held. Consequently that opportunity elapsed. I believe that Sam Gerber first suggested to the Academy the desirability of an Educational Committee.

Being located on the West Coast makes it extremely difficult for me to meet with the other members and thrash out the many things which are necessary to make this committee function for the benefit of the Academy. Consequently I am asking to be relieved of my assignment as chairman as I feel that much more can be accomplished by someone with whom you could have much closer personal contact. That being the case, will you please consider this my resignation of the chairmanship. I shall be happy to function in any way possible to further the work of the organization if you so desire.

With all good wishes for a most successful year as President of the Academy.

Sincerely yours,

LMS/vr
CC to: Prof. Ralph F. Turner
Dr. C.J. Umberger

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

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December 5, 1962

Dr. Milton Helpern
Chief Medical Examiner
520 First Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Milt:

Thank you for your letter with reference to the Educational Committee of the Academy. I will make it a point to be at the Chicago meeting and save some extra time to help get this matter under way.

I was glad to hear you were getting such a wonderful response on the meeting in London. I don't know yet whether I can make it as I have several court cases that are scheduled for trial in the Spring. Probably at the last minute if I can go I will try to get on the band wagon and come along. I appreciate that makes it very awkward for you and Be but I don't know how I can make any definite plans until after the first of the year. In addition I want to plan on going to Paris the following Spring.

All best and I look forward to seeing you in Chicago this Winter.

Sincerely,

LMS/vr

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

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November 20, 1962

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Dear LeMoyne:

SECRETARY-TREASURER
W. J. R. CAMP, M.D., PH.D.
1853 WEST POLK STREET
CHICAGO 12, ILLINOIS

I was sorry not to be able to see you in Cincinnati. I learned that you were to arrive on Thursday. I wanted to tell you that the plans for the Educational Committee of the Academy which I had asked you to chair could not be followed through this year and must await a change in the constitution to permit enlarging this committee from a membership of three fellows to eight to include a representative from each section. At present the constitution limits the representation of all standing committees to three fellows.

DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE;
ROBERT B. FORNEY, PH.D.
INDIANA UNIVERSITY
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INDIANAPOLIS 7, INDIANA

I would still like you to consider yourself as Chairman of the Educational Committee realizing how difficult it would be to act effectively without representatives from all the sections.

SAMUEL R. GERBER, M.D.
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I am also asking Joe Umberger and Ralph Turner to serve as the other two members of the Educational Committee.

GEORGE W. ROCHE, M.S.
488 NORTH WABASHA STREET
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Many thanks for your willingness to assist and with kind personal regards from Be and myself.

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Sincerely yours,

Milton

Milton Helpern, M.D.
President

MH:pch

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November 30, 1962

Professor Ralph F. Turner
School of Police Administration and
Public Safety
Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Ralph:

I should like to appoint you to the Educational Committee of the Academy of Forensic Sciences with C. J. Umberger and LeMoyne Snyder. I have already asked LeMoyne to serve as chairman.

Originally, I thought that I could enlarge the committee to include a representative from each section, but the constitution at present does not permit this. At the next annual meeting I hope that an amendment to the constitution will be introduced which will provide for the enlargement of the Educational Committee to have each section represented on it.

Sincerely yours,

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Milton Helporn, M.D.
President

cc: Dr. LeMoyne Snyder

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November 20, 1962

C. J. Umberger, Ph.D.
Office of Chief Medical Examiner
520 First Avenue
New York 16, N. Y.

Dear Joe:

I should like to appoint you to the Educational Committee of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences with Ralph Turner and LeMoyne Snyder. I have already asked LeMoyne to serve as the chairman.

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Sincerely yours,

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Milton Helpern, M.D.
President

cc: Drs. Ralph Turner and
LeMoyne Snyder

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LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.
325 Valley View Drive, Box 1125
Paradise, Calif.

Dear LeMoyne:

Your inquiry of January 6 has arrived. After several telephone calls I find that vigorous opposition to the Academy officially conducting an investigation exists, primarily for the reason that once this begins no explainable reason for cutting off other requests would occur, and the activities would get out of hand. A secondary reason exists in the controversial nature of the issue which would have the Academy possibly taking sides and destroying the concept of non-partisanship which all seem to consider a most important facet for the Academy operation.

All individuals contacted indicated that if an official request came to a number of the past presidents of the Academy that they could respond as past presidents of the Academy to form an investigating committee. They would not be acting as the Academy officially, but as past presidents could well bring the prestige and independence so necessary in the instant case.

I do not know if this is of help. Please let me know if there is anything further I can do.

Sincerely yours,



Oliver Schroeder, Jr.
President

January 6, 1964

Mr. Oliver Schroeder
Western Reserve University
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Oliver:

I have become interested in a situation here in California involving the most outrageous miscarriage of justice that I have ever encountered. It involves the conviction and imminent execution of Paul Kern Imbler for the murder of Morris Hasson in Los Angeles on January 4th, 1961.

Under California law there is an automatic appeal to the Supreme Court in all death cases and the Court sustained the conviction. On a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, the Court appointed a Referee (a retired former Justice) who held a hearing and listened to new testimony. His report recommended sustaining the conviction and on argument before the Court sustained its original decision and denied a motion for a rehearing. Consequently there is no further possibility of relief from the State of California and while we are going into the United States Courts it is questionable what can be done there.

Imbler was convicted entirely on eye-witness identification of three persons, the chief one of which was under police pressure at the time, had four commitments to state mental institutions, and has had so many arrests and two felony convictions that his FBI make sheet is five and one-half pages. Incidentally he has since recanted his entire testimony against Imbler. The other two witnesses are little better and a fourth witness to whom the police gave money and was present at the line-up was never produced at the trial or the preliminary examination. All of the physical evidence consisting of a gun, hat, overcoat in the pocket of which was a plastic razor case containing fingerprints, all tend to prove Imbler's innocence. On top of it Imbler has an alibi which has been sustained for the time the murder occurred. Every person I know of who has given this case any study says it stinks to high heaven and is a beautiful example of the courts protecting the "establishment" which of course is the Los Angeles Police and Prosecutor's office.

Mr. Oliver Schroeder - January 6, 1964 - page 2.

the "aftermath" which of course is the real danger to the people and to their peace and is a real and existing example of the conflict between the person I know of who was given this case and the state of affairs which has been maintained for the time the matter occurred. Every day to break the people's innocence. On top of it, the people are still of which would it be possible to have the AAFS conduct an investigation of this case by members of the organization not residents in California? I think that such an investigation would add tremendously to the prestige of the organization. I am in no position to pay for services but I will try to dig up the money to cover expenses. If you think that such an investigation is possible I will send you a telegram requesting such an investigation which could be publicized. I see no hope for Imbler unless the country at large can get stirred up about this situation which is somewhat typical of the administration of justice in this state. Incidentally there are at least three other men on death row at the present time awaiting execution that I am completely convinced are innocent.

Time is running out rapidly and I would appreciate your immediate consideration of this problem.

With best wishes for the coming year and all good thoughts.

Sincerely,

Under California law there is an automatic appeal to

reason in the United States on January 1st.

LMS/vr execution of Paul Keith Snyder, M.D. Lemoyne Snyder, M.D. that I have ever encountered. If the state of California and California including the most outrageous miscarriage of justice I have become interested in a situation here in

Dear Oliver:

Cleveland of Ohio
Western Reserve University
Mr. Oliver Schroeder

January 6, 1964

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To Oliver Schroeder January 3 1964

Street and No. Western Reserve University
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REQUEST YOU IN CAPACITY OF PRESIDENT AMERICAN ACADEMY FORENSIC
 SCIENCES TO APPOINT SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE MURDER
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 QUENTIN. IN MY OPINION SITUATION REPRESENTS MISCARRIAGE OF
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LeMoyne Snyder

Sender's name and address (For reference)

Sender's telephone number

Re:
AAFC Meeting

February 10, 1964

Mr. James Merritt, Reservation Mgr.
The Drake
Lake Shore Drive & Upper Michigan Ave.
Chicago 11, Illinois

Dear Mr. Merritt:

Enclosed is a reservation card
for a suite for arrival on the afternoon
of Wednesday, February 26th.

Sharing this suite with me will
be Mr. Marshall Houts of 313 Emerald Bay,
Laguna Beach, California. Would you please
confirm the reservation both to Mr. Houts
and myself.

Sincerely,

LMS/vr
encl.

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

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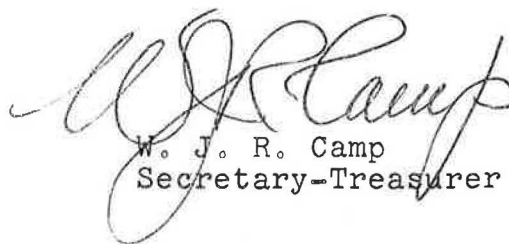
To all Fellows; Associate, Provisional and Corresponding Members; New Applicants for Membership, and others wishing to attend our Annual Meeting:

Enclosed are the following:

- 1) Program for the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences to be held at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, on February 27, 28 and 29, 1964.
- 2) Reservation card which should be sent directly to the Drake Hotel immediately, if you wish reservations at this hotel.
- 3) Advance registration form to be filled out and returned to the Secretary's office (with covering check) no later than February 10, 1964. This type of registration gives an additional discount on the food functions - at the time of our Annual Meeting the luncheon tickets will be \$4 each and the banquet tickets \$8 each. For those registering in advance, your Annual Meeting badge and tickets will be available at a special desk in the registration area on Wednesday evening (February 26), and later.

Registration is open to non-members of the Academy, and is required of all those attending the scientific sessions. Attendance at the business meetings, according to our Constitution, is limited to Fellows.

For the convenience of those arriving on Wednesday, February 26, the registration desk will be open from 8 PM to 10 PM, Venetian Room of the Drake. A bar will be set up in this room for those desiring a fellowship gathering.


W. J. R. Camp
Secretary-Treasurer

WJRC'pc
enc.

PLEASE BRING THIS PROGRAM WITH YOU TO THE ANNUAL MEETING.

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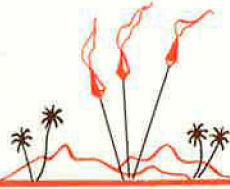
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S. T. "SANDY" ALLEN
President

August 5, 1966

Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
Drawer S
Paradise, California 95969

Dear Dr. Snyder:

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of your reservation form for the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Meeting in Honolulu.

You will find enclosed an air schedule which has been arranged for you from your home city in accordance with the reservation request which we received. This confirmation also shows the present cost in accordance with the airline tariffs which are now in affect. However, airlines normally vary their schedule slightly immediately following the deletion of daylight saving time and these schedules will be corrected to include these changes when they are received from the airlines.

With reference to the fares quoted, we anticipate a fare reduction to be announced sometime in November and we will give you complete advantage of any reduced family plan or group fares at that time which will be reflected in your final billing.

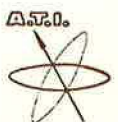
It is possible, with the number of reservations received, that we will be able to combine groups of ten or more from various major cities to take advantage of further fare reductions. As soon as this is possible, we will advise you and give you the opportunity of participating in these small groups.

Your reservation form carries our number which indicates the date of receipt and therefore you are now protected on any preferential assignments.

Very truly yours,

S. T. Allen
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S. T. "SANDY" ALLEN
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January 19, 1967

Dr. LeMoyne Snyder
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Dear Dr. Snyder:

We enclose our receipt for your payment of \$1188.12 of our invoice # 20202.

Pursuant to your letter of January 16, we have changed your airline reservations to departure March 4 rather than March 3, and have reserved hotel accommodations for the night of March 3.

If you do plan to stay longer in Honolulu, we would appreciate your advising us when you know, so that we can make reservations for you so that you will be assured of accommodations.

Yours very truly,

Sally A. Allen (Mrs.)
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Airline Transportation	\$ 200.06
Moana Hotel - Convention package	185.60
One additional night	13.73
Registration Fee	20.00
Two nights at Tiburon Lodge	33.28
Garage for car (S.F.)	20.00
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Meals	70.00
Professional entertainment	45.00
Bus Fare	3.00
Tips	<u>20.00</u>
Total	\$614.67



MARSHALL HOUTS

Editor in Chief

313 Emerald Bay,
Laguna Beach, California
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March 13, 1967

Dr. Charles S. Petty, President
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
700 Fleet Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON LAW ENFORCEMENT,
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
Chicago, March 7-9, 1967

Dear Charley:

I have just returned from attending the first National Symposium on Law Enforcement, Science and Technology which, as you undoubtedly know, was financed out of the budget of the Office of Law Enforcement Assistance (OLEA). This office is located in the United States Department of Justice, and has grown, directly or indirectly, out of the legislation implementing the "war on crime." It is a companion entity to the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice.

In my opinion, this meeting in Chicago was extremely significant. It was originally planned to accommodate 750 people. They ended up selling "Standing Room Only" tickets, so that the latest registration figure announced was something in excess of 1,100.

The meeting was attended by representatives of law enforcement agencies around the country, those in the law enforcement academic positions, and representatives of private industry, such as IBM, Rand, Aerojet, General Dynamics, Itek, Philco, Ford, North American Aviation, and various and sundry companies in the computer and general electronics fields.

It is quite easy to dismiss these representatives of private industry by likening them to beggars who appear with their hands out looking for research grants. They were certainly there looking for research funds, because in all probability there is going to be some \$350,000,000 worth of Federal funds available over the next few years for research projects in the general fields of law enforcement and the administration of justice. This will grow out of the "Safe Streets" bill which is now before the Congress and which apparently has an excellent opportunity of passing.

It is also quite easy to flippantly dismiss some of the one hundred and sixty-three papers given at this Symposium. This attitude would certainly apply to many of the far-out presentments by some of the sociologists and anthropologists, and other "ologists." I think it highly significant that outside of a few attendees who are members of the AAFS, it can be safely said that practically none of the participants in this Symposium had even the slightest brush with law enforcement and the courtroom.

This group of sociologists and anthropologists may be dismissed as being there in an effort to stimulate the acceptance of an anti-poverty program for sociologists.

When, however, you cut through the underbrush and overbrush of this meeting, I think its significance must be recognized. This new science and technology quite obviously is dominated by the "go-go," gung-ho computer boys. They are brash and rash in their thinking approaches. I was visiting with one man from North American Aviation, for example, who exuded the characteristic type of confidence which the computer boys seem to have. This philosophy can be summed up in one sentence: "If we can put men on the moon, we can solve every problem in the field of law enforcement through the proper research approaches."

I will not attempt to even summarize some of the scientific papers presented at this Symposium. It would take too long. Joe Nicol, who was an important consultant, is in a much better position to do this than I am. The forensic applications of some of some of the principles discussed are quite as staggering when you project these theories into the future and assume that they have been honed for courtroom safety by careful research. It may well be--in fact, I am definitely inclined to believe--that within the next five to ten years the whole concept of criminalistics, for example, as we know it, may be completely relegated to a horse-and-buggy status. I think this same thing may well be true in certain areas of forensic pathology (time of death), perhaps toxicology and all the other branches of forensic sciences.

The significant thing that we must all realize is that up to the present bills that created OLEA, the U.S. Department of Justice was the only department in the Federal government that had never received one dime for research purposes. Now, suddenly \$350,000,000 for research in the forensic field looms on the horizon. The potential of forensic advances now has brightened tremendously. The purpose of my letter is to point out my sincere feeling that this development places the AAFS in a most unusual position. If its course is charted in one direction, it has an extremely bright future. If, however, its course is uncharted in that the AAFS fails to take advantage of these current developments, the AAFS is going to be left at the starting gate, and will wither and die. The "go-go" boys with their research money will found their own organization that will

take advantage of the potentials in the forensic research field. They will then usurp the position of leadership which should be enjoyed by the AAFS.


I strongly recommend that you appoint a special committee to keep the AAFS membership advised on a monthly basis of developments in the OLEA and all related programs and legislation that could affect these programs. This committee should also point out to AAFS members the procedures for obtaining research grants, so that AAFS members who have the courtroom orientation can assume a position of leadership in the research field.

I also strongly recommend that you contact Joe Nicol, Jim Osterburg and Ralph Turner, and get their recommendations and the names of participants in the Chicago Symposium who they think might advantageously be invited to participate in AAFS programs, and who might be considered as provisional members and Fellows of the AAFS.

I am quite serious in my statement that I think this is an extremely critical time for the AAFS. If we continue to be a highly exclusive group and listen to the same old trite and uninspired papers year after year, without inviting in new blood, we are inviting certain sclerosis. On the other hand, if we step out aggressively and assume a leading role in the research opportunities offered by the OLEA programs and by inviting in new members who really have something to contribute, the AAFS can assume and occupy its proper dominant position of leadership.

All the best.

Yours,


Marshall Houts

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September 28th 1967

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S.R. Gerber, M.D.
American Academy of Forensic Sciences
The Law-Medicine Center
Western Reserve University
2153 Adelbert Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Sam:

Again I was delighted to receive a copy of your report for 1966. I don't know of any other similar organization that puts out anything to compare with it. I always go through it carefully and invariably find something which I had never appreciated before and which adds to the sum total of reliable information. You are to be commended on doing a magnificent job.

It was nice talking with you in Honolulu last spring and I look forward in the near future to seeing you again.

All best,

LMS/vr

LeMoyne Snyder, M.D.

October 6, 1969

Memorandum:

On October 2 and 3, I attended as a member a meeting of the Executive Committee of the AAPS. This was the usual "mid-term" meeting which should actually have been held in June. It was in fact set for early June in Toronto (when some members could have been present without expenses to the Academy) but was rescheduled for October 2. I believe this delayed meeting may have better served certain purposes. I doubt that it served the best interests of the AAPS. We are startlingly close to the annual meeting in February.

In any event, I consider it to be in the best interest of the Academy to report, at least to some of those who have shown a deep interest in the future of the organization, certain events which occurred. I have just spent two full days in attending this meeting and have a pile of work so please do not look for a literary masterpiece in this memorandum. Forgive any lack of lucidity and the hand corrections I shall make for any errors which occur. Study the memorandum and decide what, if anything, you desire to do about it. ✓

Let me at the outset say that at this meeting I found myself in a strictly 6 to 1 position; that is (and I suppose this is a purely personal appraisal), in a head-long plunge by the Executive Committee in what I believe a move to alter the concept of the forensic sciences by reframing them into a socio-political entity, I stood as the only buffer who wanted the entire Academy membership to be heard on most important matters which I shall now discuss. I am not saying that every Executive Committee member is sympathetic to the aims of what has to be some kind of coalition, but I must say that I am not certain every Executive Committee member understands what is occurring.

Almost stupefying in its shock effect was President Osterburg's refusal to accept Dr. Paul Kirk's withdrawal of his application for membership in the Academy, a move by Kirk which had released the Academy from a very sticky situation. Osterburg interpreted the Kirk letter of withdrawal as leaving acceptance of the letter up to him (Osterburg) and he (Osterburg) could not accept the withdrawal. There was a motion not to accept the Kirk withdrawal and it carried handily 5 to 2, with Secretary-Treasurer Schatz and me voting against the reopening of the matter (Schatz as Secretary had accepted the withdrawal and returned Kirk's \$10 application fee so he had little alternative to vote in this with the Lone Eagle - li'l ol' noi). To my further utter amazement there was a suggestion that Osterburg call Dr. Kirk in California and advise him of the new action. Osterburg did this and said he told Kirk to send another \$10 application fee. Such a fee was not in the hands of the Treasurer when this action on Kirk was taken which is contrary to the By-Laws. Allegedly Kirk said he would think about it and let Osterburg know. My judgment is that Kirk may let his name be considered again. I have been hard pressed for a long time to know what this Kirk thing was all about but during the meeting someone sort of slipped and suggested that a "Foundation" (which will be described presently) would have difficulty in finding a better head than an eminent man such as Dr. Kirk. I must frankly say that I am no longer so greatly mystified. This ✓

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incident also removed the small doubt I harbored that L'affaire Kirk was a direct project of Jim Osterburg.

Now to the very vital issue. When I arrived at the 2 p.m. meeting a few moments late (15 minutes to be precise) on October 2, all other members of the Committee were present. Some of them, I learned, had been in Chicago for one or two days prior to the October 2 date of the meeting. Also present in the meeting room when I got there was one Tom Gross, stated to be a computer programming expert; a consultant for a firm known as System Development Corporation. This man remained at the meeting during discussion and voting on all business matters except for one instance when I demanded that all except Executive Committee members leave the room. After this short expulsion he returned to the meeting and remained throughout the sessions. This man, of course, is not a Fellow of the Academy and, in my opinion, was improperly present with the possible exception of the action I shall now set out. The typewritten (copy) Agenda of the meeting read as follows:

"2:00 p.m., October 2/69. Conference for the Executive Committee with Tom Gross, computer programming expert - consultant for System Development Corporation, relative to the feasibility of a joint project for the LEAA and the AAFS with S.D.C. This will be taken out of order as the first item on the agenda. The discussion will probably last a minimum of 4 hours. Arthur Schatz had full discussion with him and therefore conference, questions and ideas will be those of other members of the Executive Committee."

I shall have to leave it to others better informed in such matters as to whether the presence of this individual at all sessions of the meeting might affect the business conducted.

After some vague discussion with Mr. Gross the Executive Committee got right down to the nitty-gritty of what this was all about. It should be kept in mind that I had never heard of Mr. Tom Gross nor the System Development Corporation and had no prior knowledge whatever of what was to come. It became obvious, however, that some of those present had heard a lot about Mr. Gross, the SDC and knew precisely what was to come. In other words, considerable planning and conference had taken place although I - a member of the Executive Committee - not only did not know about it, I had never even heard rumors of it.

An existing tape of the meeting will have to be consulted for solid facts but as memory serves me, it was stated that Mr. Gross and System Development Corporation (SDC - inadvertently but almost invariably referred to at the meeting as SDSI) were experts in something called "grantsmanship" and would guide the Academy in obtaining grants of all sorts - government and other. Sums from three hundred thousand to half a million dollars were bandied about. There was no discussion whatever concerning the obligations of those accepting grants nor was there discussion in depth as to what Mr. Gross and/or SDC would receive although Mr. Gross made it

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crystal-clear that he and his outfit would have to be well paid. His candor in this respect was gratifying. It seemed to me - and I could be incorrect on this point - that Mr. Gross and SDC would be the guiding geniuses behind this movement with the work to be done by Academy Fellows. A great deal was said and I think the tapes of this meeting should be played for all members at the annual business meeting so that they may know the complete story. I think this should be demanded.

Finally a motion was made that an unnamed "Foundation" within but separate from the Academy should be set up with a Board of Trustees with extended tenure, etc. etc. Stating that I would go along with this idea pending presentation to the membership, I voted for it. Incidentally, it became apparent a little later on that Mr. Schatz had already set up such a "Foundation" apparently in his own name and it would be transferred to the Academy.

If I thought the issue had been deferred pending scrutiny and approval or disapproval by the membership (which I did think), I could not have been more incorrect.

Next came a motion to hire Mr. Gross and/or SDC to implement the funding of the "Foundation." It was at this point that I demanded that Mr. Gross withdraw - and he did. When I became quite agitated and loud about what I described as hasty and premature action before Academy approval, I was assured that this kind of thing had been under consideration for a long time. Never the less the names of Mr. Gross and SDC were deleted and the motion changed to the effect that some company would be retained. GUESS WHO? Anyway, the motion carried 6 to 1, Swett voting "No."

It then developed that a Committee would have to meet with Mr. Gross at various times and at various places to apparently ferret out the money sources and plan the monetary or grant grabbing attacks. A motion was made to fund this Committee in the amount of \$3,500.00! Motion carried, 6 to 1, Swett voting "No." Shades of the Kirk deposition fiasco!

As I have said, I urge reference to the meeting tapes for the entire detailed story. I concede I may be in error in some details. Things moved rapidly (as planned, I think) as if by some pre-arranged schedule which I am satisfied existed. I consider this a move by a small group of liberals to use the American Academy of Forensic Sciences for the furtherance of their personal ambitions.

One thing more. On the program this year (I have a copy of a letter signed by Dr. Cyril Wecht, Program Chairman) there will be two plenary sessions. Session I from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Thursday, February 26, 1970, will be titled "Forensic Sciences - State of the Art," with members from each of the seven Academy sections participating - a usual AAFS plenary session.

Session II, however, scheduled for 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Friday, February 27, 1970, will be "The Behavioral Sciences - Their Relationship and significance to the Forensic Scientist."

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Speakers and their subjects are as follows:

"Professor Matthew Holden, Jr., Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin, 'The Political Scientist Looks at Crime.'"

"Professor Richard B. Hoffman, Faculty of Social Sciences and Administration State University of New York at Buffalo, 'Forensic Sciences: Their Relevance in Controlling Crime.'"

"Kenneth S. Field, Program Director, Public Safety Program, Stanford Research Institute, 'Application of the Delphi Technique to the Evaluation of Research Proposals.'"

Each of these speakers will have 20 to 30 minutes and "three or four Fellows of the Academy could respond briefly to the remarks of the guest speakers."

The first Executive Committee meeting in February 1970 will be my last meeting as a member of the Committee. To avoid me, the liberals need only to properly arrange their agenda. The AAFS has become enmeshed in things of no interest to me. I am happy to be leaving the Committee and would not accept another term nor would I hold any other office in the organization which is not the one I joined.

Current and constant left-wing propaganda to the effect that people like me are not keeping abreast of progress would be considered by me to be exactly what it is - pure, unadulterated hog-wash. The AAFS has been taken over by the type of loud, crafty minority in whose hands the fate of this nation has rested for the last 30 or 35 years and one needs look only at our national "progress" objectively to know why I want no part of it. Perhaps this memorandum can, in the hands of a few interested persons, save the Academy. I do not know. If it is not saved I shall probably resign but I dislike the thought of a minority group getting by with this. I shall do whatever I can in any effort to place the Academy back in the hands of forensic people.

The contents of this memorandum are not considered confidential but I think it should be recognized that what has occurred has without doubt occurred through secret conferences and arrangements by certain members of the Executive Committee. I think fast, decisive, quiet planning should be ~~immediately~~ undertaken looking toward the February meeting with the possibility of nominating a slate of candidates from the floor. This would take considerable spade work between now and the meeting. I do not think any member of the present Executive Committee should be contacted.

Please let me have your views.

George G. Swett



MARSHALL HOUTS

Editor in Chief

313 Emerald Bay,
Laguna Beach, California
Hyatt 4-4896

December 9, 1969

Mr. Rowland H. Long
Counsellor at Law
11 High Street
Monson, Massachusetts 01057

Re: American Academy of Forensic Sciences
Membership Application of Paul L. Kirk

Dear Rowland:

George Swett sent me a copy of a letter dated December 2, 1969, from Robert J. Joling to James W. Osterburg. Unfortunately, this copy which George sent to me is reproduced by a photographic process that ends up with white letters on a mottled gray background. It simply will not reproduce on my 3-M 209 copier. Therefore, I am including a copy in the body of this letter. I might point out that this letter appeared on Joling's law office stationery. It reads:

Mr. James W. Osterburg, MPA
Indiana University
Dept. of Police Administration
Sycamore Hall Room 120
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Re: Correspondence Roland H. Long -
Application of Paul L. Kirk

Dear Jim:

I have received correspondence from Oblinger and Long relative to the above applicant.

I feel that the Executive Committee last year determined to present Kirk's application to the membership; and I believe the Executive Committee this year reaffirmed that position.

For two years now, I have taken an "a-position" in this matter and continue to do so at this time. However, I believe that once the Executive Committee has passed upon the application of a person and has

recommended to the membership, the membership should be provided the opportunity to accept or reject that application regardless of the feelings of any person.

Last year, we tried to alleviate the situation by setting up an "Ad Hoc Committee" to smooth the waters, if possible. This apparently failed, and therefore, I think the matter should simply be submitted to a vote without any further debate by phone calls, letters or personal communications. Let the chips fall where they may.

Further, I believe that there has been too much emotional turmoil created by this controversy over this application. I see no use in continuing the debate any further. All those in opposition to Kirk should have their day, and all those who favor the application should also have their day.

Very truly yours,

Robert J. Joling

RJJ/dd

cc Arthur H. Schatz
George G. Swett
Joseph H. Davis
Maier I. Tuchler
Edwin Conrad

I am at a total loss to understand the reasoning of Osterburg, Tuchler, Joling, Sachs, et al on this Kirk matter. Regardless of how they rationalize their actions or how illogically they contort their explanations, they end up by proclaiming one theme only. That is, professional ethics, morals, and integrity are completely passé. Undisciplined permissiveness is not only the accepted routine; it is the sought-after goal. The expert witness is the new God who will decide guilt or innocence. Professional and scientific standards are to be swept under the rug. A professional witness' testimony on any subject and to any extreme is available to the side who gets to him first.

Somehow, I cannot believe that the majority of the membership of the AAFS accedes to this philosophy, although I have been so completely fooled by the attitudes of a number of members of the Academy on Kirk's courtroom deceptions, that I don't know what to anticipate.

As I have indicated to everyone with whom I have talked for the past eighteen months on this Kirk affair, the last thing I want to see is a bloody floor fight over his application for membership. Yet, this appears to be the only goal of Osterburg, Tuchler, Joling and Sachs. I am at a total loss to understand what they hope to gain by forcing this type of confrontation.

More often than not in recent weeks, I have about decided to let them have their way. If Kirk is admitted, however, I think you had just as well completely forget about professional ethics, standards or integrity in courtroom performance; and I am just not ready to admit that this is what the majority of AAFS members want.

If we want to make any effort to preserve a semblance of professional character and respect, I presume that we had all better go to Chicago next February with our case files, transcripts of testimony, affidavits, and other factual data so that the membership can be completely and accurately informed.

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Mr. Rowland H. Long
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Re: American Academy of Forensic Sciences
Membership Application of Paul L. Kirk

Dear Rowland:

George Swett sent me a copy of a letter dated December 2, 1969, from Robert J. Joling to James W. Osterburg. Unfortunately, this copy which George sent to me is reproduced by a photographic process that ends up with white letters on a mottled gray background. It simply will not reproduce on my 3-M 209 copier. Therefore, I am including a copy in the body of this letter. I might point out that this letter appeared on Joling's law office stationery. It reads:

Mr. James W. Osterburg, MPA
Indiana University
Dept. of Police Administration
Sycamore Hall Room 120
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Re: Correspondence Roland H. Long -
Application of Paul L. Kirk

Dear Jim:

I have received correspondence from Oblinger and Long relative to the above applicant.

I feel that the Executive Committee last year determined to present Kirk's application to the membership; and I believe the Executive Committee this year reaffirmed that position.

For two years now, I have taken an "a-position" in this matter and continue to do so at this time. However, I believe that once the Executive Committee has passed upon the application of a person and has

recommended to the membership, the membership should be provided the opportunity to accept or reject that application regardless of the feelings of any person.

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Further, I believe that there has been too much emotional turmoil created by this controversy over this application. I see no use in continuing the debate any further. All those in opposition to Kirk should have their day, and all those who favor the application should also have their day.

Very truly yours,

Robert J. Joling

RJJ/dd

cc Arthur H. Schatz
George G. Swett
Joseph H. Davis
Maier I. Tuchler
Edwin Conrad

I am at a total loss to understand the reasoning of Osterburg, Tuchler, Joling, Sachs, et al on this Kirk matter. Regardless of how they rationalize their actions or how illogically they contort their explanations, they end up by proclaiming one theme only. That is, professional ethics, morals, and integrity are completely passé. Undisciplined permissiveness is not only the accepted routine; it is the sought-after goal. The expert witness is the new God who will decide guilt or innocence. Professional and scientific standards are to be swept under the rug. A professional witness' testimony on any subject and to any extreme is available to the side who gets to him first.

Somehow, I cannot believe that the majority of the membership of the AAFS accedes to this philosophy, although I have been so completely fooled by the attitudes of a number of members of the Academy on Kirk's courtroom deceptions, that I don't know what to anticipate.

As I have indicated to everyone with whom I have talked for the past eighteen months on this Kirk affair, the last thing I want to see is a bloody floor fight over his application for membership. Yet, this appears to be the only goal of Osterburg, Tuchler, Joling and Sachs. I am at a total loss to understand what they hope to gain by forcing this type of confrontation.

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