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~~Terrell Law School~~

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C.

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS

October 7, 1947.

*Send copy to*

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,  
Apartment 15-A,  
29 Washington Square West,  
New York 11, New York,

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Some weeks ago you wrote Mr. Justice Douglas concerning the Robert H. Terrell Law School of Washington, D. C. The Justice made inquiry of a close personal friend who is a member of the District of Columbia Bar. His reply to the inquiry has arrived in the absence of Justice Douglas. I have taken the liberty of setting forth below the gist of his report on the School.

The Terrell School has been struggling for some time, because of lack of funds, to meet the requirements of the American Bar Association for "approved" law schools. These requirements were adopted by the District Bar Association at the direction of the District Court. The Committee on Admissions and Grievances of the District Bar last year appointed a special subcommittee on the Terrell School. As a result, the School was approved temporarily while it made further efforts to conform with the requirements of three full-time instructors and a law library of 10,000 volumes. However, this temporary approval will lapse before the December examination for the District Bar.

The School reopened on September 2nd. It now has under way a campaign to raise funds to maintain a staff and a library. So far only about \$4,000 has been raised. They have, however, employed three full-time instructors, a librarian, and have on hand or on order the required 10,000 law books.

The Dean of the Law School is advising the Bar Association of their compliance with the requirements. If the Bar Association does not approve the School so that the students can take the December examination, the Dean will communicate with the Justice's friend at once.

The Justice will, I know, wish to write you himself when he returns to Washington and can get further information as to the success of the School's fund-raising campaign and their efforts to meet the Bar requirements.

Very truly yours,

*Edith Allen*

Secretary to Mr. Justice Douglas.

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CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS

J.O. Fortino, Co.  
Sept 16, 1947

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt -

Your letter of  
Aug 29<sup>th</sup> relative to the  
Robert H. Fenell Law  
School of work DC has  
just reached us in Oregon.

I am sending  
your inquiry to a  
lawyer friend in work  
DC. who will be able  
to advise you, I hope, to  
help in the matter. I will  
write as soon as I hear.

As ever

Wm O Douglas

Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt

W. Douglas

May 26, 1947

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

It was very kind of you to  
write me about the statue to my husband.  
I am very glad to have your impression.

With many thanks, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Type 711  
New York

1, Grosvenor Square,  
London, W. 1.

May 14, 1947

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Day before yesterday, Sir Campbell Stuart - about to embark to the United States to make the final arrangements for the unveiling of the memorial to President Roosevelt next April - took me out to see the statue in the studio of Sir William Reid Dick, who, as you know, is the artist who is commissioned to sculpt the statue.

It occurred to me that you might be interested in my impressions. The standing posture gives one in striking fashion the impression of a person who has mastered a physical impediment. It is extraordinarily well done and I, myself, am so happy that it is to be of President Roosevelt in a standing position. Moreover, the likeness seems to me to be singularly good. The face has life and vigor in it - not too frequently found in statues.

On the whole, I think Sir William Reid Dick has done a piece of work which you will like and of which you will always be proud.

With very kindest personal regards,

I am,

Ever sincerely yours,

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
Hyde Park,  
New York.

*W. Reid Dick*  
*Thank very glad*  
*to know his impression*