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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Hyde Park, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

On May 18, 1945, James Johnson, Jr., who was formerly employed by you as your chauffeur, was indicted by the Grand Jury of this county for grand larceny in the first degree in stealing your automobile. Charges had been preferred against him in Orange County from which he was released about a month ago. Following the dismissal of the Orange County charges the defendant appeared before our county court and entered a plea of not guilty to the indictment. He is now represented by F. A. Scriber of Middletown and the case was put over until the next term. Mr. Scriber was of the opinion when he was here that you did not wish to press the charges against the defendant for the theft of your car. I told him that I would contact you with respect to the matter.

I would appreciate it very much if you would advise me as to your feelings in the matter. Of course, if the defendant insists upon maintaining his plea of not guilty it will be necessary for us to try him at the next term of court.

Should you prefer to discuss this matter with me personally, I shall be pleased to call upon you at such time and place as may suit your convenience.

Very truly yours,

John R. Schwartz
District Attorney

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