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AIR MAIL

Honorable Louis C. LaCour
United States Attorney
New Orleans, Louisiana

Re: Angel, et al. v. Louisiana State
Board of Education, et al;
United States of America, Amicus
Curiae and Petitioner, v. The
Louisiana State Board of Education,
et al. Civil Action No. 1658

Dear Mr. LaCour:

Enclosed are two copies of a petition which we propose to present to Judge West in Baton Rouge, asking for an order to show cause why various state officials should not be held in civil contempt for refusing to accept from Negroes, applications for enrollment at the SOWELA Trade School in Lake Charles. Also enclosed are copies of a number of affidavits which will be attached to the petition. I expect that other affidavits which have not yet been reproduced will also be used.

I will be in Shreveport on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, July 23-25, and can be reached through the United States Attorney's office. I expect to go to Lake Charles on Thursday to interview the persons who have given affidavits, as well as some others. If all goes well I will be in Baton Rouge on Friday to make the application to Judge West, assuming he is available. I will try to reach him by telephone before then to confirm his availability. I will call you from Shreveport to discuss this matter.

CC: Records
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Mr. Barrett
✓ Mr. Marlin
Trial File

Sincerely,

ST. JOHN BARRETT
Second Assistant
Civil Rights Division

Encl.