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Honorable Earl B. Gilliam
Judge, United States District Court
Southern District of California
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Earl:

It is really difficult to express in words how elated mother and I are over your appointment to the federal bench. It's unfortunate that dad and "Big Earl" could not be here to enjoy and share in this success. But we know, as you do, that they would both be filled with pride and joy.

Even though we cannot be physically present on October 17, know that our hearts and thoughts will be with you. And we know that this entire country can be proud to have the great traditions of the federal courts carried on by one so well qualified and deserving as you are.

Accept our sincerest congratulations, and please give our warmest regards to Lula Mae.

Sincerely,

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H. A. Gilliam, Jr.
PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER

cc: Mrs. Leola Gilliam

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