

Wilson  
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Legal: War Claims  
1954-1962

A collection of letters, news releases, statements, memorandum, postal cards, news clipping & copy of excerpt from the *Congressional Record*. **Examples are:** War Claims Commission Memorandum to Members of Congress (5/13/54) re/ "The President of the United States today has signed H. R. 6896, a bill to extend the deadline for filing prisoner of war claims under Public Law 303, 82<sup>nd</sup> Congress" -- P.L. 359; news release (5/13/54 re/ P.L. 359; 2 page copy of War Claims Commission paper with details on P.L. 359 (5/14/54); 1 page -- "Memorandum Re: Section 5 and 6 War Claims Act" from the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States; 6 stapled copies of letters & postal cards (2/60) re/ comments relative to H. R. 2485 -- "a bill which would amend the War Claims Act of 1948 to provide compensation for certain World War II losses;" letters (Feb.-May 1960) from California State Department American Ex-Prisoners of War, Inc. (El Cajon, CA) & Wilson's replies re/ support for HR 2485, annual convention in San Diego & Resolution showing gratitude to Congressmen Younger and Wilson for their initiative and support; letters (9/60 & 2/61 & 3/61) re/ query from constituent requesting a copy of House Foreign Affairs Hearings with respect to Philippine War Damage Claims held June 1960; letters (12/60 & 1/61) re/ responses to inquiry by La Jolla constituent, Charles J. Fox, "concerning a claim against the Japanese Government for the loss of certain shares of stock in the North China Star newspaper, Tientsin, China, false arrest, the loss of his profession as a newspaper editor, and his law practice in China;" a letter (6/18/61) from San Diego constituent John M. Hykes & Wilson's reply (6/22/61) re/ comments related to "H.R. 7883, a bill which provides for the return of vested alien property;" stapled packet of letters (1959-1961) re/ extensive corresp. related to La Jolla constituents, Dr. Arthur Shoemaker and his wife. American citizens, they lived in Peking, China from 1911 to 1952 and were victims of the Japanese occupation and as an elderly couple were seeking compensation through H.R. 2485, if it passed; 4 page news release (5/24/61) submitted by the Kennedy Administration re/ "World War II Damage Bill Submitted to Congress;" letters (1960 & 1961) re/ further information from La Jolla constituent Charles J. Fox & his claims before the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission; news release from Congressman Frank J. Becker, letters from Mrs. Si Casady & Wilson & news clipping from *The Valley News* (1961-1962) re/ forgotten war heroes, "who distinguished themselves so courageously during World War II and the Korean conflict by skillfully avoiding capture by the enemy while cut off from their own lines;" letters (May- June 1962) re/ "payment of claims for war damages arising in the Philippines;" a letter (6/25/62) from La Jolla constituent Harry Langley Pence & Wilson's reply (7/6/62) "relative to legislation providing for the balance of payment to the Philippine War Damage Commission;" a letter (7/24/62) from Charles J. Fox & Wilson's reply (7/26/62) re/ favorable comment on movement of H. R. 7283; letters (1960-1962) re/ responses to queries from constituent Dr. J. L. Boots as to H. R. 7283 & H.R. 8617; a letter (7/25/62) from Dr. Shoemaker & Wilson's reply (7/27/62) re/ the Dr.'s comments on Japanese military "pilfering and destruction" in Peking and Wilson notes that H. R. 7283 had favorably passed the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee; letters (7/62) re/ H. R. 11721, a bill for payments related to Philippine war damage claim; 3 letters

(7/62) from constituents & Wilson's replies (July-Aug. 1962) re/ favorable passage in committee of H. R. 7283; letters (July-Aug. 1962) re/ Wilson and State Dept. response to query from constituent relative to a claim against the Government of Yugoslavia: stapled packet of letters (4/59-5/62) re/ claims related to the Government of Yugoslavia; a letter (6/14/63) from Congressman Robert R. Barry & attached copy of "Philippine War Damage Claims The House Should Accept the Senate Amendment" *Congressional Record*, June 10, 1963, 88<sup>th</sup> Cong., 1<sup>st</sup> Sess.; letters (Jan. & Feb. 1963) re/ constituent query as to "a claim for property lost in the Philippines during World War 2."