January 25, 1980

Mrs. Thelma Toole 1016 Elysian Field New Orleans, LA 70117

Dear Thelma:

I have now heard from the University attorneys, and they feel all is in order now to execute an agreement for the book. Accordingly, I am enclosing two copies of our proposed contract for your consideration. They contain, I believe, the same terms as the original agreements we discussed, but please don't hesitate to raise any questions that may occur to you. If the agreement seems in order, please sign and return both copies, and I will return a fully executed copy to you.

I appreciate your offer of financial support for promotion of the book, but I really do not feel we could, in good conscience, accept it. I know your expenses in getting the legal tangle straightened out have been heavy, and I cannot help but feel that any additional financial outlay would be a real burden. I believe we will be able, with the help of the grant money, to adequately promote the book.

Now that our legal problems are resolved, you will be working mainly with Martha, as editor of the book, and with the people in our marketing department. They will keep you informed on matters such as promotion plans and publishing schedule. Rest assured, however, that I will be watching the book's progress closely and with interest.

L. E. Phillabaum Director

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cc: Martha Hall Robert T. Summer