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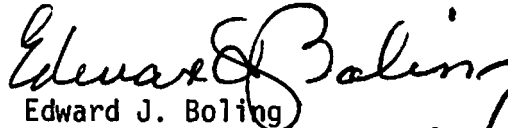
Dear Dr. Cleckley:

I have an out-of-town commitment on November 10, but I would be pleased to meet with you and the members of the Commission for Blacks on Wednesday, November 17, at 3:30 p.m.

If November 17 is convenient with you, I will ask Mr. Roland Woodson (Assistant to the Chancellor for Affirmative Activities at the Center for the Health Sciences) and Dr. Luke Ebersole (Vice Chancellor for Planning and Administration on the Knoxville campus) to join us also.

I look forward to the opportunity to discuss with you and the members of the Commission some of our mutual concerns in regard to the enrollment of qualified Blacks in our professional schools.

Sincerely yours,


Edward J. Boling
President

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cc: Chancellor Jack Reese
Vice Chancellor Luke Ebersole
Chancellor T. Albert Farmer
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October 27, 1976

Edward J. Boling, President
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Dear President Boling:

I am writing at the request of The Commission For Blacks. We read with interest the article on "Black Percentage Small in Professional Schools" that appeared in the Knoxville News-Sentinel on September 27, 1976. The article included your comments regarding the low enrollment of Blacks, particularly in professional schools at The University of Tennessee.

The Commission For Blacks would like to have an opportunity to meet with you to understand better the concerns and issues with regard to attracting qualified Blacks in professional schools such as the Colleges of Law, Medicine, and Dentistry. Further, the Commission would like to explore efforts that we might make to help increase Black enrollment in these schools.

We realize that you are extremely busy; however, we are wondering if it would be possible for you to meet with the Commission at 3:30 on Wednesday, November 10? If this is not a convenient time, perhaps it will be possible to arrange a meeting at a later date. The Commission usually meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Betty J. Cleckley
Chairperson, The Commission For Blacks

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cc: Chancellor Jack Reese
Vice Chancellor Luke Ebersole