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Dear Ron,

It is indeed good to hear from you after quite a stretch. I have often wondered how things were going with you and have thought of writing but have simply procrastinated. Your letter brings reassuring word that you are still going strong.

My life is rocking along about as usual. I go to my office in the law school four days a week, working on a variety of matters, handling correspondence, doing a little writing, and keeping up with the literature. Much of my time is spent on the Cahaba Foundation, a private, non-profit corporation whose mission is to secure private financial support for the state historical park at Cahaba, site of Alabama's first state capital. Our priority is to raise two million dollars to enable the Alabama Historical Commission to acquire all the land in the historic town site that remains in private hands. Enclosed is our brochure explaining the Foundation and the park.

Also enclosed are several items of non-required reading, two of which you requested.

I am tentatively planning a trip to Berlin in the spring. The main purpose is to update myself on the German appellate courts. The section in the casebook on this subject was done by me, so I want to get the material revised for an upcoming third edition.

Your son Daniel has an impressive string of academic achievements. I am especially pleased to see that he has entered the ranks of the barristers. He is obviously a young man of considerable talent. As you may recall, I have studied the English appellate courts and the work of barristers. It is my hope to get back there before a great while to update myself so that the casebook can reflect the current scene, which has changed much in the last six years. If I do get there, I hope very much to meet Daniel. I will let you know well in advance so we can arrange a meeting.

The political scene in this country is discouraging, but I am at a loss to know what to do about it. The best hope is that the Republicans will eventually self-destruct with some of their rigid, extreme positions.

Keep me up on yourself from time-to-time. If you ever get back to the States, plan to include Charlottesville on your itinerary. I have a guest room and bath, rarely occupied, and you are welcome any time.

Sincerely,

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