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April 27, 1972

Hon. Bart Durham
Office of the Attorney General
Supreme Court Building
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

Dear General:

Thank you for the copy of your Petition for Certiorari in the Recor case.

I have never seen a better piece of legal work.

I'm presently considering <u>Byron Eugene Gann v. State</u>, in which case I have the benefit of a brief prepared by you. It, too, is excellent.

I'm sending a copy of this letter to my ole friend, fellow former East Tennessee hillbilly, and law school classmate, General Dave Pack, just in case he isn't aware that you're one of the sharpest lawyers at the appellate bar anywhere.

Sincerely,

William S. Russell, Judge Court of Criminal Appeals

WSR/nlr

cc: General Pack