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Founder

American GI Forum of the US

1315 Bright Street

Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Hector:

Attached is copy of letter from the United Church of Christ on the 10 year fight we had with a TV station in Albuquerque. You may recall that Steve, my son, is the one who lead the petition to deny a license. I decided to pick up the battle and we are almost at the point when the case will be heard by a Federal court. It has been a long fight, but we never gave up on it and we may still get a favorable decision by the courts on our petition to deny a license. If this happens it will be the first time a Chicano group stood the test of time and was able to get a powerful TV station to lose a license because of their employment and programming practices.

Please let me know how things go with you. Everyone sends regards.

You might also want to know that it appears that we won a victory on the suit against the American GI Forum of NM. You may recall that there was a \$15,000 judgment against Pete, the American GI Forum of NM and a third party defendent by the name of Kretz. Atty. Jess Sandoval prepared the appeal and the appeals court remanded the decision to the district court unless the plaintiff, Col. Robert Sands decides to go through the process again, the case will probably die. At the moment it appears that the judgment of \$15,000 will be against Mr. Kretz since he did not appeal and the GI Forum and Pete are hñme free. I am delighted at the outcome because there were the people who began to place blame and find scapegoats.

Sincerely,



Vicente T. Ximenes
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Dear Hector:

The following would like to have
Among The Valliant for their library.

Mr. Gaspar Chacon
Classification Officer
State Penitentiary
PO Box 1059
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Hope things go well with you. When
is the Founder's Day Banquet? How
is your family? I have not heard from
you in quite some time.

Sincerely,



Vicente T. Ximenes
Chairman

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cc: Gaspar Chacon