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September 20, 1962
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Dr. Hector P. Garcia
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Dear Dr. Garcia:

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to you for working in my behalf. If anything comes of this I will be extremely thankful to the American G. I. Forum and especially to you.

To me an appointment to West Point is the key that opens the door to the opportunity of a lifetime. It is something based on the ideals that have made our country great. These ideals are the one of equal opportunity for all and the other a spirit of competition in the heart of every man who desires to achieve success.

An appointment to West Point brings prestige and honor. By the same token, I am fully aware that it also brings responsibility and hard work.

As far as character and scholastic ability go, I feel that I can compete with the best of them. I think that my grades on the designation exam bear this out. In November I will take the designation exam again to try to improve my chances for selection.

I want to stress that this is the first and only time that I will be able to try for an appointment since next year I will be overage. I would hate to think that I got beat out by someone who had friends influential to the Congressmen, if you know what I mean. By the way, I have applied through Senators Carl T. Curtis and Roman L. Hruska and Representative Glenn C. Cunningham.

This is why I have called on you. This means so much to me that I decided to try every means at my disposal in order to reach this goal. Again I say that I am standing on my record and all I ask is a fair chance.

An appointment to West Point for me would certainly reflect on the Mexican people. I am very eager to get a chance to represent them. I know that I can be a credit to them.

I know that Mr. Vice President Johnson has appointments at his disposal. However, it would be a big help if you could see to it that my Congressmen are made aware of the fact that I should not be "overlooked", so to speak.

I am enclosing the materials which you asked of me. Enclosed you will find my high school and college transcripts. I am also sending you letters from Senators Curtis and Hruska informing me of my grades on the first designation exam. I am still waiting to hear from Representative Cunningham. Also, in case you need some references, I am giving you three.

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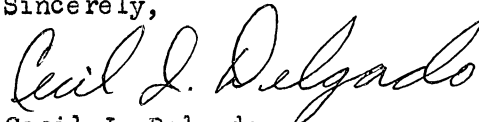
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Col. Rhoades is my supervisor at the Omaha Post Office. I have been employed there for the past fifteen months.

Sincere regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,


Cecil J. Delgado