

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 28, 1964

Dear Dr. Garcia:

Thank you for your telegram on September 16 advising me of the alleged discriminatory conduct of developer Hulen H. Hunt against Mr. Eliazar Salinas during Mr. Salinas' recent efforts to purchase a house in Glen Arbor Subdivision, Corpus Christi, Texas.

I am pleased to note that a VA representative of their San Antonio office was sent to confer with you and to ascertain the facts in this matter. VA's report of its investigation of the complaint seems to support the view that no discriminatory practice in this matter can be charged to Mr. Hunt, to warrant Mr. Hunt's suspension at this time.

I do hope that, as a result of the suggested procedure under which VA will appraise the house involved, Mr. Salinas will be able to purchase the house of his choice and the experience of this incident will serve to assure all involved that racial discrimination will not be tolerated in housing covered by Presidential Executive Order No. 11063 on Equal Opportunity in Housing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "David L. Lawrence". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

David L. Lawrence, Chairman
President's Committee on Equal
Opportunity in Housing

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November 7, 1964

Dear Dr. Garcia:

It has been some time since your last letter and I deeply regret the lateness of this response. However, I am sure that you understand the matters which have preempted my time during this period.

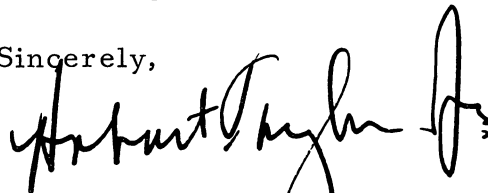
I want, first of all, to express my personal thanks to you for your untiring efforts in behalf of the President during recent weeks. I know how much he appreciates the substantial contribution you made to his wonderful victory last Tuesday.

In line with your suggestions, in September the President appointed Mr. J. J. Rodriguez of Monterey Park, California, to membership on The President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity and we are hopeful that he will assist us in alleviating the problems mentioned in your letter.

I appreciate your interest a great deal and hope you will continue to let me have the benefit of your thoughts regarding the Committee and its work.

With my best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hobart Taylor, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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