

August 17, 1967

Honorable Ralph Yarborough
U.S. Senator
U.S. Congress
Washington D.C.

RE: Jose B. Dominguez
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Dear Senator Yarborough:

I would like to express my gratitude for all the achievements and efforts you have shown in tackling the problems of the Mexican-American people. May God guide you in the continuation of social issues.

Because of your stand on such problems, I have decided to ask for your advice and if possible your help on this local matter.

First I would like for you to know that I have written two letters to Congressman Young concerning this appointment. He acknowledged one and informed us that he had already appointed Mr. Robert Horn as temporary acting Postmaster. On my reply I informed him of the reason why we were late on our recommendation. I am sure that Congressman Young acted not knowing that other parties were interested in such a vacancy. I feel that I must write this letter because we were not given an equal opportunity and because Congressman Young has committed himself to Mr. Horn.

As U.S. Senator and Texas Senior Senator, I feel you have a special opportunity and responsibility in this regard--to see that equality of opportunity without regard to race or creed, truly prevails in it's own rank. There can be no freedom, no equal opportunity, no social justice in an enviornment where only a few people seem to have the inside to such vacancies.

All I ask is that a test be arranged between Mr. Dominguez and Mr. Horn and the Best qualified get such appointment.

Senator, regardless of the outcome of this affair, I am sure that you will do whatever is within your power to see that such practices be eliminated.

Enclosed here with are copies of my letters to Congressman John Young.

Very truly yours,

Pedro Rodriguez

cc

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