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Under
Ezequiel Salinas

EZEQUIEL D. SALINAS
JUDGE
11TH DISTRICT COURT OF TEXAS
LAREDO

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PERSONAL CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. J. A. Garcia
1101 South 19th Street
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dr. Hector P. Garcia
3024 Morgan
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Joe and Hector:

I want to thank you for your kind reception last Friday when I visited Corpus Christi.

I had a report that Lyndon's office in Austin had received a long telegram from "Dr. Garcia" and I want you to know that I appreciate very sincerely anything that you might have said in my behalf. While the appointment is personal to me I know that you consider it also very personal to you because it means that we either get recognition from Washington or we do not through this opportunity.

Even if God had made me the best judge in the world I would not, under our system of democratic government, have any chance at the appointment without public support and public opinion. That, only people like yourself can give me. I must depend largely for public opinion and support on my friends with like origins and Spanish name who, like myself, wish to enjoy the full privileges and opportunities as well as the full duties and obligations under American citizenship and on the land where we were born.

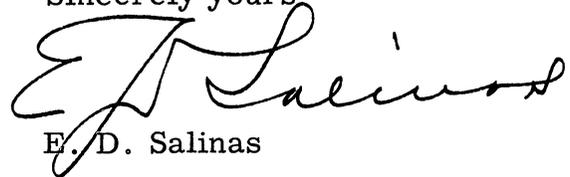
Mr. Walter Jenkins, of Lyndon's Austin staff, is reported to have said that no action would be taken by the President on the appointment prior to January 1. It may be that Lyndon got these assurances from the President or it might be that it was just Mr. Jenkins' opinion or belief. If true, it would give more time in which

to make the wishes of our people well known to those who are responsible for running the appointment through.

I will keep you informed of developments.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. D. Salinas". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "E. D. Salinas".

E. D. Salinas

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