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December 29th, 1942.

William J. Fehnel, Esq.,
C/o Hygiene Division,
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.,
1 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Bill:-

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I have written to Dr. Lanza, and would like you to read, and knowing that he is now in the service of his Country I am asking if you would do me the favor to forward it to him, and what I have said in that letter about the valuable services he has rendered I can also say with absolute sincerity that the services which you have rendered in helping me out of these cases in the past have been equally as valuable, and you have made a great many personal sacrifices to be present to testify and assist us. Personally I do not see how a man who is gaining in weight and working at the kind of job he has at the Navy Yard, down in the holds of ships, can be suffering from Asbestosis, though Dr. Smith in the letter he wrote to Mr. Mitchell said he was disabled as a result of the disease he had.

With my best regards,

Very sincerely yours,

P.S. I presume that you will receive this letter by about 12 or 1 o'clock tomorrow. I will telephone you at the office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at about 3 o'clock.

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