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Dr. Robert A. Kehoe,
The Eichberg Laboratory of Physiology,
University of Cincinnati,
Eden Avenue,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Kehoe: RE: dec'd vs. Jenney Mfg. Co.

We have received a decision from Chairman W. W. Kennard of the Industrial Accident Board in this State dismissing the widow's claim for compensation on this case. This means that we have won the case but counsel for the widow has a right of appeal which he will undoubtedly exercise.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I sent to Mr. Webb and I can only repeat that your assistance was an important factor in bringing about this successful decision.

With kind personal regards,

Very truly yours,

William Doyle

Attorney.

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September 11, 1930

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Mr. E. W. Webb, President,
Ethyl Gasoline Corporation,
405 Lexington Avenue,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

RE: [REDACTED] dec'd vs. Jenney Mfg. Co.

You will probably recall there was pending in this State a claim for compensation for the death of one [REDACTED], an employee of the Jenney Mfg. Company of Boston. It was claimed that the death of [REDACTED] was the result of his exposure while handling commercial ethyl gasoline. Several months ago the widow of the deceased employee, represented by counsel, had hearings before W. W. Kennard, Chairman of the Industrial Accident Board and we, as the insurer of the Jenney Mfg. Company, vigorously contested this claim. Both sides presented medical witnesses who held diametrically opposite views on the question of whether ethyl gasoline in its commercial state could produce lead poisoning and leukemia which was the cause of this employee's death. Thru the splendid cooperation of the officials of the Jenney Mfg. Company, together with the valuable assistance rendered by Dr. Robert A. Kehoe while here in Boston at the trial, we were successful in receiving a formal decision dismissing this vexatious claim. Counsel for the widow has the right of appeal but we have every hope of having this decision affirmed in the event an appeal is taken.

In order to arrive at the decision Chairman Kennard had to discount the testimony of Prof. Howard W. Haggard of Yale University and Dr. M. R. Mayers, connected with the Bureau of Industrial Hygiene, Department of Labor, State of New York, both witnesses having testified that there was medical causation between the employee's death and his exposure to the fumes of ethyl gasoline.

Your office, thru Mr. Mittnacht, has from time to time assisted us in making arrangements for your Dr. Kehoe to be present and I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for this assistance.

Very truly yours,

Attorney.

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