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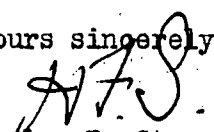
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Dear Rutledge:

Thank you for your kind note about the troublesome holding company cases. They have annoyed us so long that I think we may have all lost a little ^{of our} sense of proportion, but I am greatly troubled by the fact that suitors who have come to our Court who are entitled to be heard cannot be heard. It would seem to me that the simplest solution would have been to have heard the case which I am free in every possible aspect to hear, and leave the other alone. But as there is objection to that I think I shall be willing to be the goat and sit in them both, although it is a very embarrassing situation for me.

Yours sincerely,


Harlan F. Stone.

Mr. Justice Rutledge