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Board of Pardons and Paroles  
Washington, D.C.

Re: Otto P. Higgins  
55996-L  
Leavenworth, Kansas

Dear Sirs:

I understand the Board of Pardons and Paroles is meeting soon, and I would like to take the liberty of writing you about Otto P. Higgins who is at Leavenworth, Kansas.

I have been acquainted with Mr. Higgins for a number of years and have always considered him a gentleman, a good business man, and an asset to the community.

In my business, I buy products from Mr. Higgins' paper industry and advertise in his newspaper, and in these dealings I know him for a good, honest, and fair business man. Also I have a great number of friends who are acquainted with Mr. Higgins only in a business way, and they all speak very highly of him in their business connections.

As a citizen, I know Mr. Higgins has been outstanding. He has done more to improve conditions here in Kansas City, and to give our town new and splendid ideas on his recent police work than he will ever be given credit for. He has helped the youth in K.C. get started in their excellent training and I know has laid a foundation for good citizens in the future which is an accomplishment for any man.

As a personal friend, I could go into great detail about Mr. Higgins' many fine qualities: his good character, his high ideals, his intelligence, his outstanding achievements, and many other things that make a man a true and loyal friend. However, I feel that this is not necessary, but want you to know that I have been a little closer than most people to Mr. Higgins, as my son married his daughter, thereby making our families very closely connected. We have had a fine

family group and he has been kind and helpful in his roles as father-in-law and grandfather. We all miss and need him very much.

In closing, I would like to add that any mercy or kindness you may show Mr. Higgins in your meeting will be greatly appreciated by his family, his personal friends, and his many well-wishers. Thank you for considering my letter, I am

Yours respectfully,  
A. G. Carter  
AGC/EMC