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Black, Mo August 3rd., 1938.  
Hon. Lloyd C. Stark, Governor,  
State of Missouri,  
Jefferson Civy, Missouri.

Dear Governor Stark:-

Supplementing my congratulatory telegram of today I am wondering if you realize the significance and stragetical position which the voters of Missouri placed you in when they so vehemently affixed their signatures to the new Declaration of Independence on August 2nd? Does your ears respond to the strains of "Hail to the Chief"? Have you given thot to the 1940 status of the Presidential nominations as pertain to you and Senator Clark? May I analize, from the viewpoint of a voter, taxpayer and politician of twenty years experience, the picture as projected on the political horizan by the voters on August 2nd., A.D. 1938 in this State? Nationally and locally Senators Clarks vote was to he interpreted as a sounding of his potential strength for the 1940 Presidential nominee. He sailed serenly under the Pendergast Banner floating high and lofty over his flagship and never once during the campaign gave orders to lower that banner hut on the contrary at all times exhibited himself to the voters "rigidly in salute to Pendergast? During the entire campaign, he never at any time heard the command or obeyed the orders, "at ease" or "as you were". On the contrary your flagship carried the insigna of the Great State of Missouri, snow pure, unsullied and uncontaminated, you faced fearful odds and accomplished what in my opinion was a herculeanean task, and frankly one I thot foolhardy at its inception; Senator Clarks fight was a minus quantity as compared to yours and constituted mere shadow boxing and by proper exploitation and manipulation of the victory you achieved your ratio of strength as compared to Senators Clarks as presidential timber is materially greater, locally I know, and I opine it could be cultivated nationally. Your test of strength far out weighed his. In my meek and humble opinion the iron is hot if you care to strike. This would be a fitting tribute to the distinguished service

you rendered the State and certainly no one could conscientiously assert that you did not deserve it. My organization and myself all supported Senator Clark, not because of his Pendergast alliance, but because of his admirable fight to preserve the Supreme Court. As between you and him he would be weighted in the balance and found wanting. The majority of voters will in the future before casting their ballot for him see the vision of that strong welded Pendergast chain dangling from his neck; when your name is presented to them on a ballot they will on the contrary see the reverse and will envision the bulky form of the one time Boss being drug thru out the length and breadth of Missouri with the exception of Kansas City, which doubtless will be Stark acclimated shortly and they will see the boss subservient to the people instead of the people being hyponized by his foul and corrupt buccaneers. The people have spoken in no unmistakable terms, opportunity is not only knocking at your door but is literally battering your door down, the entire United States will view your victory as far greater than Senator Clarks. Why not expand your political horizan and exhibit to the nation your system of jiu-jitsu as so effectively practiced on the man who erroneously that that he was the law in Missouri and that his throne could not topple. You have proven yourself a strong and masterful swayer of men and even now I wonder as to how you delivered the solar plexus blow as the W.P.A. was instructed in this locality in no uncertain terms. Mr. Bell, an official from the Farmington District Office appeared the eve before the election and in the presence of the employees had the audicity to trespass on private property and tear down and destroy a Douglas sign. Quickly succeeding this act of stupidity the workers were called enmasse and the foreman announced that he was not instructing them how to vote but that "I" emphasizing the "I" was going to vote for Billings. Affidavits will be submitted to you on request. Plenty of E.Pluribus Unnum was also used to influence voters to go down the line for Billings.

Now Governor you have won your fight, which was a glorious one and should be the stepping stone to historical and national recognition; my fight for the appointment of Circuit Judge for this District is not yet won; I fought shoulder to shoulder with you and after forwarding my application for this appointment on numerous occasions travelled the five counties of this Circuit lining up my friends for our mutual candidate Judge Douglas. Doubtless other prospective appointees have labored also, but I invite your attention to

the fact that had not the grim reaper removed Judge Dearing all of them as far as I can determine would have fought in the ranks of T.J. either openly or secretly, as they have in the past. Your enemies in the recent Primary were my enemies in 1934 when I and the voters were blackjacked out of the nomination which was tantamount to election. Measured from the same yardstick as you used in your Sikeston speech to the effect that Mr. Dearmont should have had the appointment on the death of his Democratic Primary opponent; I am the logical and deserving appointee for this office. My file which is in your custody is self explanatory and conclusively shows that in 1934 I fought the court house rings and Pendergast just as you did but I was unable to "show them the handwriting on the wall" as you did consequently was outcounted at the ballot box. The wholesale convictions in Kansas City naturally influenced the corrupt minded. If you see fit to bestow this great honor upon me, and candidly I do not see how you can consistently do otherwise, I will add to my already functioning organization in these five counties so that they will when the time comes deliver to you and I or any of your worthy friends an almost one hundred per cent Democratic vote and in addition I will be in a position to command formidable Republican support and this will be voluntarily rendered, wholly untainted by unethical or scurrilious practices. I know how to do it and will do it and have just been trying to get a toe holt but so far have been unable to cope with the Pendergast organization. You have cracked the shell and I can destroy the foetus with your favorable consideration to my application in all five counties of this Circuit. These are not wild conjectural exaggerations but I will produce if given the opportunity and I finally close my campaign by soliciting your careful attention to my application and enclosures under date June 28th, my letters of June 28th., June 30th, July 25th., and my telegram of today all of which I ask you consider carefully and impartially, keeping in mind that my family and I including my little crippled girl are all as hopeful of success as were you and your family over the renomination of Judge Douglas.

You have a "brilliant national future "by adroitly playing the cards which you have in your hand at present and I trust that you will acquiesce in my sitting in the game as one of your multitude of partners, and I promise you no losses or after regrets or day after headaches.

I trust your vote will be for Glidewell and not for one of the bosses sympathizers. We

will be scrutinizing the returns expectently and hopefully.

Cordially yours,

Roy E. Glidewell