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Dear Dr. Wrone:

Thank you for your recent telephone inquiry in which you requested a grant application and information regarding the Gerald R. Ford Foundation Grant Program. During our brief conversation, you mentioned your interest in utilizing records of the Warren Commission in an assessment of institutional structures and the Johnson administration.

Gerald Ford's Warren Commission Files (17 feet) are found among the Gerald R. Ford Congressional Papers. This collection consists primarily of copies of exhibits, reports, proceedings, and depositions sent to Ford for his use during the Commission's investigation. The original texts, along with extensive supporting materials are part of National Archives Record Group 272. Many of the materials in the Ford files are unique, however, including personal notes and drafts, correspondence and Ford's writing about the work of the Commission.

Ford's Warren Commission Files are grouped into the following series: papers concerning the work of the Commission (1963-64), Commission proceedings (1964), Commission depositions (1964), drafts and galley proofs of Commission Report (1964), general correspondence concerning the Warren Commission (1963-76), papers concerning the publications of Gerald Ford (1964-67), magazines and newspapers (1963-73), and miscellanea (1961-72).

Of course, your own examination of available finding aids (and the records themselves) could more fully reveal materials relevant to your research. You may borrow up to six collection finding aids at one time, for two weeks, by writing to the Library, Attention: Finding Aid Loans.

A copy of the finding aid for the Gerald R. Ford Congressional Papers is enclosed, as is general information regarding the holdings and services of the Gerald R. Ford Library and accommodations in Ann Arbor. A grant application is also being forwarded. The Gerald R. Ford Foundation awards grants of up to \$2000 each to support research based in important part on Library collections. A grant defrays the living, travel, and photocopy

expenses of a research trip. The next deadline for submitting grant proposals is March 15, 1991. Should you wish to fax your grant proposal, our fax number is (313) 668-2341.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions. I look forward to assisting you further.

Sincerely,

KELLEE GREEN Archivist