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THE PREDICULAT HAS STEN....

June 12, 1975

President Gerald Ford The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. Washington D. C.

RE: Addressing Graduation of Western State University
College of Law--- June, 1976

Dear Mr. President,

This letter will give you some background information about Western State University that may be of interest to you. If you need more information, I will be very happy to get it for you.

Western State University (WSU) has two campuses. One is located in Fullerton, California and the other in San Diego. The school was founded in 1966 and since that time has grown to become the largest law school in California and one of the two or three largest in the United States.

There are currently over 2800 students enrolled on the two campuses. The graduation ceremony is normally held at the Anaheim Convention center. There were 4,000 people present at this years graduation. Law Degrees were conferred upon 334 graduates.

Some of the past speakers at WSU graduation have been Mr. Elliot Richardson in 1974 and Mr. Leon Jawerski in 1975.

You may be interested to note that the 1976 Presidential Primary elections in California are on June 8, 1976. An address such as this will obviously provide an excellent forum for any campaign speeches.

Dean Maxwell Boas has asked me to extend his best wishes and to inform you that WSU will arrange its graduation to conform to your schedule any day in June. It is preferred to have graduation on a week end, but if that is not convenient for you, a week day will suffice.

Thank you very much for your time. Again let me say how proud I am for you, both as a friend and as the President. Cathy and I are looking forward to contributing in any way we can to your 1976 campaign.

Our very best wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,

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