THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dear Tom:

I have your letter of June 1, and it is with deep regret that I accept your resignation as Assistant Attorney General effective July 30, 1976, as you requested.

During the past four years, you have served your country with the highest dedication and ability, handling a variety of complex and difficult legal issues and litigation with a sure hand that has won you the admiration of your colleagues in government and the respect of the legal community. I am especially grateful for the lead you have taken in pursuing regulatory reform initiatives.

While I am reluctant to see you leave your position, I can understand your eagerness to return to teaching at the University of Michigan. I welcome this opportunity to express my personal gratitude for your assistance to this Administration, and you may be sure you take with you my warmest good wishes for every future success and happiness.

Sincerely,

GERALD R. FORD

The Honorable Thomas E. Kauper Assistant Attorney General Washington, D. C.

Pepartment of Justice Washington, P.C. 20530

June 1, 1976

The President
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

I hereby submit my resignation from my present position as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division, United States Department of Justice, to be effective at close of business on July 30, 1976. I have served four years in my present position, and there comes a time to depart. As I advised the Attorney General some time ago, I have concluded, for purely personal reasons, that that time is the end of the summer, which will enable me to resume my teaching duties at the University of Michigan next fall.

I would surely be remiss if I did not express my deep personal appreciation to you for the privilege of serving as part of this Administration. It has been an Administration characterized by an open exchange of views, a policy of which I have surely been a direct beneficiary. Your support of the program of the Antitrust Division has bolstered not only me, but all of the men and women of the Division. And, needless to say, I most heartily applaud your regulatory reform initiatives, which have been more than dear to my heart from the time I took this position.

I leave with a real sense of regret, not only because this job has provided me with an exciting and rewarding personal experience, but because much of what I have worked on, particularly in the regulatory area, is yet undone. But I suppose that it is ever thus.

With my greatest respect,

THOMAS E. KAUPER
Assistant Attorney General
Antitrust Division

