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San Francisco California

P.O. Box 3163

October 9th, 1962

Dear Mrs. Meredith:

I write you these few lines as a friend & fellow Citizen of America. First I wish to congratulate you on your courage in remaining at the University of Mississippi under adverse circumstances. Next I would like to point out with regret that two world news correspondents have risked and lost their lives in trying to bring your story as well as your desire to obtain an education at the school of your choice. I wish you every success and God's blessings in this respect.

However since your basic reason in being on the University Campus is to get a better education please direct your attention in this direction and the project which relates to that.

As a former member of the Armed forces and a soldier with the obligation to obey the orders given you. I regret to say you are deterring from your rule of basic training when you try to

Analyze the motives and strategy of
your benefactors (1) The president of
The United States Mr. John F. Kennedy
next it is quite ungentleman like
to get in conflict with his brother
Mr. Robert Kennedy Chief of the
Justice Department. What I refer to
is the men who are guarding your
life to preserve the democratic way
of life supported by the millions of
American tax payers helping to sup-
port your ideals and aspirations.
The thought should be given seriously
to the fact that the garbage detail
you refer to may actually be highly
trained demolition experts inspecting
the cans for explosive or hidden
weapons which could be used against
your life. Thank God for your blessing
that you are alive. For even the
marshals nor the Army can save you
or me from a bullet if it has our
name on it. I deeply regret letter
writing you this type of letter

But if you turn on your benefactors
 what can you turn to for protection
 If you feel that the students smiles
 are for friendship please don't be mis-
 led. They are just kidding their time and
 waiting you in. Were I in your
 place I would have to much self
 pride to force my way in where I
 was not wanted. There are so many
 easier and pleasanter ways to obtain
 an education and get a degree as well
 as the things you want out of life.
 Elsewhere and also a piece of mind.
 Trust those who are protesting you
 they won't let you down. Stick to
 your books and the classroom the
 F. B. I. Justice Department know
 what they are doing. Do you? I remain

Yours Sincerely
 Quin D. Webb
 (a friend)