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THE SUPREME COURT OF MINNESOTA
SAINT PAUL
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C. DONALD PETERSON
JUSTICE

December 18, 1973

PERSONAL

The Honorable Roger J. Traynor
Chairman, The National News Council
41 East 70th Street
New York, New York 10021

Dear Roger,

Roger J. Traynor

You will be interested, I am sure, in the enclosed editorial in the Minneapolis Star concerning closed sessions of the National News Council. I assume that it was written by Austin Wehrwein, who you will recall attended our joint meeting at Wingspread.

It was at least reassuring that he seemed to acknowledge, somewhat obliquely, that he does not expect the press to sit in on our own appellate court conferences.

The members of the Minnesota Press Council enjoyed the opportunity to meet and visit with the members of the National News Council and, indeed, some suggested that they would like to see a return engagement in Minneapolis-St. Paul. I too enjoyed the meeting, even though I rather regretted that the issue of closed sessions overrode all other concerns in the launching of a press council.

Because it is the season of Christmas, I send you warm holiday greetings and, in the process, introduce you to my family. My eldest daughter will ride a Minnesota float as "Queen of the Lakes" in the Parade of Roses on New Year's Day. She, and at least the two older boys, has her eyes set on a career as a lawyer.

Sincerely yours,



C. Donald Peterson

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January 2, 1974

The Honorable C. Donald Peterson
The Supreme Court of Minnesota
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55515

Dear Don:

I greatly appreciate the messages in your good letter of 18 December, together with the copy of the editorial you sent along from the Minneapolis Star.

I am of the same mind as you on our first regional meeting. Yet, I think a great deal was gained in setting up lines of cordial and constructive communication between the National News Council and the Minnesota Press Council. Another such meeting would be immensely useful. Your Council has obviously weathered well the vicissitudes of pioneer years. I predict that as its experience lengthens and its regional influence widens, it will have much to impart to newcomers in other regions and to the infant national council. No one knows better than the members of your council how much an infant has to learn in its first year.

We are delighted to have so charming a family picture as that of the eight Petersons. If that elder daughter has her eyes set on being a lawyer, the boys in her class are going to have a time keeping their eyes on the books.

With good wishes to each and all of you,

Sincerely,

Roger J. Traynor

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