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BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL NAVY DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF NAVAL OFFICER PROCUREMENT

January 25, 1943

Dear Mr. Allen:

Reference: Robert Sansom CHARLTON

In placing this important matter before you, it is sincerely regretted that a personal letter can not be sent, but to do so would make it necessary to divert energy now focused on other wartime duties.

The conscientious thought given your reply to this request may affect the welfare and safety of many men, as the man about whom we are writing may eventually be in a position of command. Therefore, the requested information is of more than usual significance.

Please tell us in detail what you can about this applicant, touching particularly on leadership, character, initiative, judgment, personality, standing in his community, and nature of his work. If significant, distinguish between facts and opinions from your own knowledge and those based on extraneous information.

A return envelope is enclosed. Your reply will be kept in strictest confidence and will have an important bearing on the final decision. Please accept our thanks for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Dr. Forrest Allen, Athletic Director, Kansas University, Lawrence, Kans.