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Mr. W. C. Simons
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Dear Mr. Simons:

Sometime ago I received a short article from you, showing the need of a layman to consult a lawyer in connection with his business transactions.

This is a subject which has always been of a great deal of interest to me, both because in my opinion there are few transactions to be entered into where a lawyer should not be consulted and also there is a great deal of difference in the background and ability of various lawyers in connection with various sorts of transactions.

I am continually running into situations where a layman should have consulted a lawyer, and, if he did consult a lawyer, he consulted one without the proper general background. For instance, I have had more or less engineering experience, and I find in many situations that engineering experience stands me in very good stead in connection with some legal matter with which I am working.

I do not know what we lawyers can do about it. It is just a situation which is unfortunate for the public. The lawyer cannot advertise the need of his services, and, whenever I see an article similar to the one you have sent me, I feel like writing the editor a letter of appreciation for the valuable service he is rendering the public.

Thank you very much for your interest.

Yours very truly,

C. C. Stewart

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