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LETTER JANUARY FIFTEENTH 1937 SIGNED CHAPMAN=
HASKINS MEDICAL SUPERVISOR MORNINGSIDE.

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THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON

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SEP 28 1937

The Honorable

The Attorney General.

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My dear Mr. Attorney General:

Further reference is made to the correspondence between our Departments concerning the case of Frank Richards, your File HM 95-4-21, an inmate of Morningside Hospital, seeking release.

Dr. John L. Haskins, Medical Supervisor at Morningside Hospital, an appointee of this Department, informs us that he has been served with a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of Mr. Richards.

May I therefore request that your Department take such steps as are necessary to present the Government's case?

Our file indicates that your Department is in possession of the pertinent facts in this case. However, I enclose for your use a copy of a report submitted to this Department by Dr. Haskins on December 16, 1936, in which he describes Mr. Richards' condition and relates to the incidents pertaining to the case.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd.) T. A. WALTERS

Acting Secretary.

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Office of the Attorney General
Washington, D.C.

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October 5, 1937.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Interior.



Attention: Mr. T. A. Walters,
Acting Secretary.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Your letter of September 28 requests that this Department proceed to oppose the petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed by Frank Richards, an Alaskan insane inmate of Morningside Hospital at Portland, Oregon.

Compliance with your request was had through our telegram to the United States Attorney at Portland, Oregon, instructing him to resist the mentioned petition and to act as counsel in the matter for Dr. Haskins, Medical Supervisor of the Institution.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Wm. C. Clegg
Attorney General.

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General

DR HASKINS
MEDICAL SUPERVISOR, MORNING-SIDE HOSPITAL
PORTLAND, OREGON

REFERENCE YOUR TELEGRAM SEPTEMBER SIXTEENTH WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS
FRANK RICHARDS stop ATTORNEY GENERAL INFORMS US UNITED STATES
ATTORNEY PORTLAND, OREGON INSTRUCTED TO RESIST PETITION AND ACT
AS COUNSEL FOR YOU stop CONSULT WITH U.S. ATTORNEY.

(Sgd.) HAMPTON

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WASHINGTON

Portland, Oregon
October 13, 1937

Director, Division of Territories & Island Possessions
United States Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary
Washington, D.C.

Re: RICHARDS, Frank No. 1595

Sir:

In reply to your telegram of October 12th 1937, signed Hampton; the papers regarding the writ of Habeas Corpus were served on the hospital on September 15th and the Department was immediately notified by telegram of the court action as instructed in their letter of January 15th, 1937.

The hearing was set for September 27th. As the date of the hearing approached, the writer interviewed the local U.S. District Attorney. He had received no notice of the request to defend the action, but after going over the situation, assigned an assistant to represent the hospital in court.

The hearing was held in Federal Court on the date set and Judge Claude McColloch sustained the writ and the patient was ordered discharged from the institution. This discharge was accomplished on September 29th, 1937 .

Respectfully

John L. Haskins
John L. Haskins, M.D.
Medical Supervisor.

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