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Dear Kirk:

As I phoned you last night, the Governor appreciates your frank advice and asked me to tell you and write you his thanks right away. He will thank you personally soon.

Like you, he also has a high regard for Judge Lynne. I can see why you and others have such a high regard for the Judge. Among other things, the fact that he called both sides (attorneys) in a conference and spoke frankly and has not closed himself in an ivory tower beyond ethical communications to the attorneys for the Governor, the University of Alabama, and all persons involved in this case, shows that an ethical line of communication or a judicial pipeline with all the parties within the bounds of his judicial position must allow him in many instances to keep his docket moving and up to date, help settle much litigation and keep for himself the high regard that the Bar has for him. I believe Governor Wallace sincerely appreciates the difficult role that the Judge also has in this case.

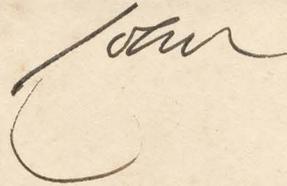
As you know, I have advised the Governor from the legal standpoint of his status, as one of his lawyers. He, too, is in a difficult position but I know he will conduct himself with dignity and honor. As a matter of fact, I think we can all take pride in this case because the Court, the Governor, the lawyers and the University, and I assume the Justice Department, are all fully aware of the grave responsibility and of performing in a manner conducive to above board and honor. As I said to the Governor yesterday, we have a tight line to the Judge. A better expression, I should have said we are walking on a tight rope, or even better, the razor's edge, for to the Judge the law is clear and I was impressed with his frankness. I hope the Governor does not go over the tight line or rope for we do

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*not want him to be in contempt. Time, the great moving finger
that points to the destiny of man, will soon resolve this question.
Let us hope for the best. Thanks again. You made an excellent
argument in the injunction hearing and the Governor was insistent
that I phone you and write you his thanks. He will personally
thank you.*

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John P. Kohn". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "John P. Kohn".

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