

March 23, 1956.

Mr. Sid W. Richardson
Fort Worth National Bank Building
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Richardson:

Several people have mentioned to me an article which appeared in one of the Dallas newspapers during the time I was in Phoenix, to the effect that the citizens of Denison, Texas had obtained a local architect and were in the process of reconstructing the Eisenhower birthplace.

You will recall that Mr. Carter contributed \$25,000.00 towards the fund, and a check was sent to you in January of this year. Mr. Joseph R. Pelich of Fort Worth was commissioned and accepted the job of restoring the birthplace of President Eisenhower, in accordance with Mr. Maddox' letter of August 3, 1954.

Mr. Pelich has spent considerable time and funds on research for authenticity, plans, etc., in connection with this project. While he is willing to contribute his services and has not complained about any funds he may have expended, I am quite sure that it was Mr. Carter's as well as your intention that he was to be the architect.

If Denison has jumped in and taken the reins, it seems to me that you folks would not wish to underwrite it to the extent that you have intended.

This letter is merely to inform you of this development and to ascertain whether or not you have approved of the expenditure of yours and Mr. Carter's funds in this manner.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

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Secretary