

May 19, 1949

Honorable Lyndon Johnson
United States Senator
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Lyndon:

I have refrained from bothering you as little as possible, as I realize you are loaded to the guard all the time. Meanwhile, the enclosed letter from Paulanne Ream, a cousin of mine in Dallas, speaks for itself covering certain provisions of Public Law 359, 78th Congress, known as the Veterans' Preference Act. Also enclosed with her letter was a clipping from the Dallas Times Herald, dated May 11, 1949, and a letter from O. V. Benedict, President of Local 851, National Federation of Federal Employees, Dallas, Texas, going into more details regarding this subject.

While I am thoroughly in sympathy with providing every consistent support and assistance possible for the veterans, I still feel that if someone had to stay at home and help carry on the work, it seems rather unfair to dispense with their services after they have spent six or seven years becoming more efficient in handling the work.

If there is anything you can consistently do in this matter, I shall appreciate it very much, not merely because of the fact that Paulanne Ream is a cousin of mine, but from a broader standpoint of rendering justice to Civil Service government employees.

Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely,