

24 January 1955

Dr. Louis B. Wright
Director
The Folger Shakespeare Library
Washington 3, D. C.

Dear Dr. Wright:

Thank you for your letter of 19 January 1955.

It has occurred to us that in view of the fact that our manuscript deals with a rather unusual and often quite complex technical subject we should have included a few words about our technical competence when the manuscript was submitted to you for the benefit of the Committee which is to read it for a determination of its value as a contribution to Shakespearean scholarship. I am therefore sending you herewith some biographical data which may be of interest and of possible value to the judges in the Folger competition. I should add that use of such data so far as concerns me has not yet been cleared with my department--but if necessary or desirable this matter may be taken up at a later date.

I note, too, that I failed to indicate in my letter of 19 January 1955, accompanying our manuscript, that it had been cleared by the appropriate authorities in the Department of Defense and because of certain aid we received from him, also by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN

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