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Robin Boyd,
290 Walsh St.,
5th Yarra.

Dear Robin,

My sincere apologies for not having acknowledged your very kind letter much earlier. I do hope you spent an enjoyable Xmas and this new year proves to be stimulating and satisfying in every possible way for you.

My congratulations on your recently announced appointment in connection with the Canadian Exposition, which, having read the news paper reports only, seems to be a challenging and extremely interesting problem, and knowing your whole attitude and ability to gain the

most satisfactory solution, I have no doubt the result will be blessed by the Masters Touch.

In addition, after reading Morton Herman's review of your most recent publication, although not fortunate enough to have a copy here yet, I am eagerly awaiting the chance to read this in the very near future. If I might just add that all should be humbly grateful for somebody like you, who can criticise or praise as the case deserves so persistently but fairly, and herald the standards which are so blatantly ignored.

Robin, in view of my parole eligibility this month, I again wonder if I can be of some use to you. Briefly, to refresh your mind I am 43 years old, attended P.A.C. and Adelaide university. Dip Arch. This study broken during the war whilst serving with the RAAF as pilot in 34 transport squadron and as active reserve squadron leader til 1960. I did intend joining my father's organisation, but requiring experience, he, knowing the Yunkens, arranged for me to come here. One thing led to another, I married, I was given increasing responsibility.

This went on until 1954. At no time did I intend settling here, I didn't even want to practice I hadn't even joined the Inst, although qualified to do so. As you know I was personally responsible for the design team on Op. Smail among other projects including site supervision. I felt I should return to my poor patient old father, but was never destined to reach him. Ted Hancock made an attractive directorship offer in his company Hancock Construction Co. P/L. which meant I became responsible for all the design, survey, roads drainage, housing including supervision (with assistants of course) this was what I wanted, to design and build. In addition I was connected with associated land companies which proved downfall in 1961 credit squeeze. I made a foolish attempt to retain certain assets which I felt were due to me. This was my mistake as it breached the companies act and resulted in conviction and sentence in 1962. My wife divorced me and I was bankrupted and lost absolutely all.

I cannot take part in company work for 5 years, I am disqualified from membership of the Institute, and I have a bankruptcy state to clear. (Looks like I should marry a wealthy woman).

However, in the period here, I have worked up sketches, working drawings, a great relief to the PWD, etc which makes me feel kin to greenway, and generally kept up to date as far as possible.

You can draw your own conclusion from this, I cant give a life history in two pages. I know I am pretty versatile, carry responsibility well and have always commanded respect in the past. I feel whatever you may have, I could adapt myself and would be happy to do it.

I'm sure we would be compatible. Salary is a question I feel should be your instigation. You know about me, current salaries being paid, just how much you can afford and what it is worth to you. Hoping to hear shortly
Yours truly. [REDACTED]