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Dear Tom,

Congratulations on your venture into the "private sector" with Bill Diefendorfer and Bernie Wunder, two highly respected experts, from the other side of the political aisle. What a powerhouse combo! Bernie and Bill are acquiring a damn good associate, Tom, but I'll really miss our interchange of ideas and your wise counsel.

As you know, I value my longtime friendship with the Dingell family and you were a valuable trusted intermediary for Big John and for me and my staff.


We all realize it is unlikely that individual Commissioners or the Commission as a whole will always agree with all members of the communications subcommittee. Congressmen represent widely disparate local constituencies, many with different or conflicting approaches to telecommunications problems. However, I always considered the FCC as an arm of Congress. When a majority of the communications subcommittee expresses its will and intent, we should take heed. At least I think I did.

Even the few times we disagreed on a major item you were always fair and exceptionally well informed. Also, I appreciated the fact we could rely on what you said without any concern for double talk -- and we (my office) tried to respond in kind.

After you are settled in your new job, I want to take you to lunch. Please call when you are settled in your new office.

Needless to say, very best wishes for continued achievement in your new responsibilities. My best to Bill and Bernie.

Kindest regards,


James H. Quello

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