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Mr. H. Kieffer DeLauter
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Dear Mr. DeLauter:

In response to your letter of 14 February, 1959 and to our telephone conversation of a few days ago, I should like to reiterate the position I stated to you and which I declared to Mrs. Fout and Mrs. Kenn on several occasions.

As long as your clients were to retain the property immediately to the west of mine, and to use it as farm land, I had no interest or need to extend my property line. However, since they have decided to sell their residual land for development use, I feel I must have the opportunity of buying a narrow strip immediately adjacent to my western boundary. My ~~only~~ purpose in wanting this strip - and this was implicit in the right of refusal granted me at the time of the original purchase - is to preserve a buffer zone between my improvements and whatever may develop westward of my present line. My sole motivation is to preserve the privacy of my home property for the pleasurable use of my family in the years ahead. I feel sure that your clients, who occupy similar though larger country properties, can understand this desire. I have at no time wished to stand in the way of your clients' selling their land or to embarrass them in any way, but desire only to exercise my right of refusal for the bona fide purpose for which I originally secured it.

It is regrettable that your clients, in completing negotiations for the sale of the remainder of their property adjacent to mine, made a miscalculation in ignoring my option. The death of the original prospective purchaser of their residual property now permits, it seems to me, another opportunity of resolving our difficulties to the satisfaction of all parties concerned. Thus your clients can sell all their land, as they wish, but can reserve for purchase by me at the same time and at the same over-all price per acre a strip immediately contiguous to my western line, said strip being 150' wide, paralleling said line and extending southward from the State's right-of-way for a distance of 700 feet. I would estimate this piece at about two and one-half acres.

Most sincerely,

Filed July 20, 1959

Abou D. Pollack