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Ohio, Advisory Commission on Unemployment Problems of the
Negro, 1940-1941.



JOHN W. BRICKER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF OHIO
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COLUMBUS

November
Seventh
1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

It is with distinct personal pleasure that I learn you are willing to serve the State of Ohio as a member of the Advisory Commission on Employment Problems of the Negro.

As Governor of Ohio, I therefore appoint you as a representative of education to serve on the Commission for an indefinite period.

I do this with full realization of the importance of the task we are undertaking, and of the valuable contribution you will make to the work of the Commission.

I am asking Mr. H. C. Atkinson, Administrator of the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation, a representative of government on the Commission, to act as temporary chairman until a permanent organization is formed. He doubtless will communicate with you in the near future.

Cordially,

A large, stylized cursive signature of John W. Bricker.

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427 Cleveland Avenue
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July 14, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
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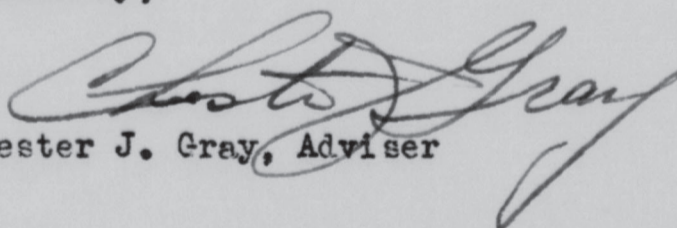
Dear Rabbi Silver:

The meeting of the Advisory Commission on Employment Problems of the Negro will be held in Governor Bricker's office on Thursday, July 17th at 11:00 a.m., instead of the previously stated time of Wednesday, July 16th at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. Bennett is asking that a special effort be made to be present at this important meeting with the Governor.

Mr. Bennett is also asking that you notify this office if it will be impossible for you to attend, in order that preparations for a luncheon following the meeting with the Governor can be planned.

Sincerely,


Chester J. Gray, Adviser

cjg:dr

July 15, 1941

Mr. Chester J. Gray
427 Cleveland Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Gray:

In answer to your note of July 14, permit me to state that it will not be possible for Rabbi Silver to attend the meeting of the Advisory Commission on Employment Problems of the Negro which will be held in Governor Bricker's office on Thursday, July 17.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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December 2, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Commission has tentatively accepted an invitation to hold a meeting in Akron during the week of December 15th.

In order to decide on a date which will be convenient for the members, we are asking you to inform us the most convenient date during this week for you to attend the meeting.

As you probably know, the Emergency Board has allocated the sum of \$500.00 against which expenditures may be encumbered for Commission business. This includes travel expenses.

We would appreciate a reply at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Chester J. Gray
Chester J. Gray
Adviser

cjg:dr

December 4, 1941

Mr. Chester J. Gray, Adviser
Advisory Commission on Employment Problems of the Negro
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Gray:

In reply to your letter of December 2 permit me to say that I would be free to come to Akron on Thursday, December 18 for a meeting of the Commission. I could attend a morning or noon meeting. I would have to leave around three o'clock in order to be in time for a class appointment.

With best wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

AHS:BK

JOHN W. BRICKER
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December 13, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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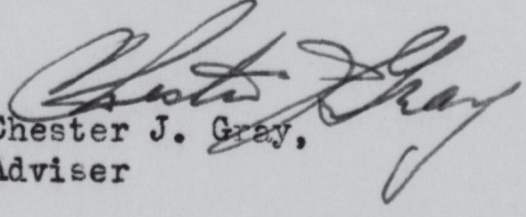
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Mr. Fred G. Bennett, chairman of this Commission, is asking that a meeting be held Wednesday, December 17th, at 1:00 p.m. in the Mayflower Hotel at Akron, Ohio.

This will be a luncheon meeting, and the discussions with representatives of employers, labor organizations, city government, and Negro welfare, will emphasize full utilization of the available Negro labor supply for defense production.

Arrangements are under consideration to provide reimbursement for your subsistence and necessary travel expenses.

Very truly yours,


Chester J. Gray,
Adviser

December 15, 1941

Mr. Chester J. Gray, Adviser
Advisory Commission on Employment Problems of the Negro
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Gray:

I deeply regret that I cannot attend the meeting
on the 17th. I must preside at an important function
here on that day.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

