

Letter from Senator Bible

UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

March 20, 1963

Mr. Thomas S. Jackson, President
The Bar Association of the District of Columbia
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DEAR MR. JACKSON:

Please let me acknowledge and thank you for your letter of March 14, 1963, with enclosures, and I certainly appreciate your making available to the Committee, the special committee's report and recommended proposed legislation in connection with the Mallory Rule and Procedures for limited police interrogation.

I am well aware that legislation in this area of the criminal law is most difficult for the reason that the protection of the individual's rights must be balanced with the public interest in maintaining adequate law enforcement. However, I am sure that the task of the Committee will be lessened considerably by having the views and recommendations of the special committee of the Bar Association in this matter.

Since you have advised me that the members of the Bar Association have not had an opportunity to consider the report, I have instructed the Committee staff to treat the report as an interim and unofficial document until it is formally adopted by the Association and the Committee is so notified.

Cordially,

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