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Mr. Dillard S. Gardner  
Supreme Court Library  
Raleigh, N. C.

My dear Mr. Gardner,-

I am in receipt of a letter this morning from Miss Lucile Elliott of Chapel Hill, in which she says if no one from Asheville attends the meeting at Raleigh to ask you to represent this group. I do not believe anybody will be there who knows anything about our library. I have written you fully about the matter, and enclosed you copies of letters I have written Miss Covington and others, and also enclosed you herewith letter I wrote to Benj. T. Ward in Greensboro.

Miss Elliott has three outlines: (1) Method of financing; (2) Location; (3) Plans of administration. All of these are discussed very fully in letter I wrote Miss Covington. I think if the library, as I stated in letter to Mr. Ward, depends on dues it will be a failure. If it has to rent an office and has to employ a librarian, it will cost quite a little. If an arrangement can be made like we have here and some one man in the legal profession should become Chairman of the Committee, who would take as much interest in it as I do, it will be quite a success, but I regret to say there is very little disposition on the part of any other lawyer in Asheville so far to take any great interest in it. This may be due to the fact that I am willing, and they say "Let George do the work".

With best wishes and regards, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

J. G. H.*T

Encl.