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Mr. Wesley E. Disney ✓
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Dear Mr. Disney:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the difficulties you have experienced in negotiations with a Chicago law firm on the division of attorneys' fees between that firm and your father's estate for legal services performed on behalf of the Delaware Indian Tribe.

You mention that Docket #337, involving the Miami Tribe, has been prosecuted to final judgment and that legislation will be necessary to authorize the payment of this judgment. You further mention that this is one of the cases in which legal services were performed by your father. You suggest that the only way you will be able to obtain an equitable division of the attorneys' fees will be to halt payment of any attorney fee until an agreement can be reached between you and the Chicago law firm.

Frankly, I must tell you that this seems to be a situation involving a contractual dispute between two private parties. I am requesting a report from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, but beyond that it is difficult for me to determine how I could properly be of assistance to you.

As soon as I receive a report from the Bureau, I will write you. In the meantime, if you would like to come to Washington, I would be happy to discuss this matter with you at that time.

With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,