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DISTRICT COURT,
DISTRICT OF ALASKA, THIRD DIVISION,
JUDGE'S CHAMBERS,

FAIRBANKS. Alaska, August 13, 1906.

The Honorable

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Mr. Frank Buteau of Fairbanks, Alaska, called on me a day or two ago with a young Indian boy about thirteen or fourteen years of age, whom he desires to have sent to the Indian school at Carlisle, Penn., the boy is a bright young fellow and deserves the assistance.

I have had occasion to examine carefully the treaty of 1867 by which we acquired Alaska and especially the provision made therein for the care and protection of the uncivilized native tribes of Alaska. The treaty provides that "The uncivilized tribes will be subject to such laws and regulations as the United States may, from time to time, adopt in regard to aboriginal tribes of that country." I take this to mean that an Alaska Indian has the same rights that an Indian within the United States has under the general laws applicable thereto. If the Commissioner takes that view of our treaty stipulation with Russia it would entitle this boy to the same rights at Carlisle as if he were an Indian residing in the United States proper. He is a worthy young man and Mr. Buteau is a good citizen. The boy is a son of Mr. Buteau's wife's sister. She died many years ago and Mr. Buteau has

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raised the boy. If you can assist him in getting the boy into the Carlisle Indian School, it would be a worthy act.

Respectfully,

James Wickersham

District Judge.