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Mrs. Inez L. Comstock,  
3510 West Polk Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Madam:

The Office has your letter of June 29, 1911, urging that your son be allowed to reenroll at the Carlisle School, Pennsylvania, in order to complete his industrial course there.

Concerning his ineligibility you are informed that, before instructions were issued to exclude your son Willard from the Carlisle School, one of the Supervisors of the Indian Office visited that place and obtained information which, in the opinion of the Office, justified Willard's exclusion.

Your son is reported to be 18 years of age, is white and came from 2130 Monroe Street, Evanston, Illinois, where he attended school for several years before entering Carlisle. Willard told the Supervisor that his

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mother is part Indian, having been born in Colorado, but does not know how much Indian blood is claimed. He said also that you are the owner of several hundred acres of land in the State of Colorado.

Since it is now the policy of the Office to exclude from Indian schools those pupils who of themselves or because of their parentage are well able to support themselves and gain an education without Government assistance, the Office is limiting enrollment to those Indian pupils who are beyond question entitled to such privileges.

The Office regrets the disappointment that must come to you because of this policy of exclusion, but is well satisfied that the best interests of the Indians justify the arrangement.

Respectfully,

*(Signed) F. H. Abbott,*

Assistant Commissioner.

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Chicago - Ill.  
June 29 - 1911.

Indian Office -  
Washington, D.C.



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Dear Sir:- I have just received a letter from the Superintendent of Carlisle Indian School, that my son, Willard, has been declared ineligible for enrolment this coming term. He has been attending Carlisle since February 1910. He was called home on account of his sister's illness. I am anxious to have him *Enroll* *FILED BY G. H. M.* to

complete his industrial course. In view of the fact that Willard should have further training to become self-supporting, and that I am not able financially to help him, I refer the matter to you. I am a widow and am thrown upon my own resources and cannot afford to have Willard home without help from him. He is very desirous of finishing his trade, which will be impossible for him to do if he remains here.

The Superintendent informed me that Willard made

splendid progress while enrolled at Carlisle, and appreciated, and was grateful for the education and training he received.

Hoping you can arrange to have Willard return.

I am

Very truly yours  
Mrs Inez L. Comstock  
3510 N. Polk St.