

Luquillo, P.R.,
agosto 23 de 1922.

Sr. Roberto H. Tood ,
San-Juan, P.R.

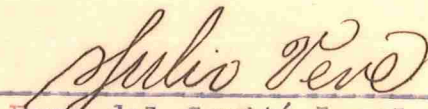
Muy estimado amigo:-

Acuso recibo de su atenta de fecha 21 de los corrientes, pasando a recomendarle al Sr. Eleuterio Meléndez Jr., a quien conozco personalmente como corre-
ligionario y persona de buenas actitudes para el de-
sempeño del cargo a que hace mención la suya.

Mi tío Don Santiago creo le habrá escrito ya dándole nota de los méritos del aludido Meléndez y por mí parte puedo indicarle que, formó parte de una Banda de Musica de un Regimiento Americano destacado en Francia durante la gran guerra.

Tengo entendido que está dentro del Servicio Civil Federal, pues al venir aquí como Director de la Banda Escolar, le fué ofrecida ~~un~~ puesto en la oficina de correos de San-Juan el que no aceptó.

Con reiteradas gracias por su atención, quedo de Vd. atento amigo S.S.


Pres. del Comité Local Republicano.

Post Office Department

FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

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Washington

October 12, 1922.

Hon. R. H. Todd,

San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Mr. Todd:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letters of October 4, in one of which you recommend the appointment of Mr. Chester W. Siegmund as postmaster at San Juan, and in the other explain your reason for not being able to join Governor Reily in recommending the appointment of Mr. John Gay.

I have also received a cablegram dated the 10th, signed "Reily and Todd", saying that you agree in the appointment of Mr. Gay as postmaster at San Juan, and Reinaldo Paniagua, Jr., as postmaster at Lares.

In view of your letters of the 4th instant, I feel that the Department should await confirmation of the wire of the 10th before taking any action thereon, and consideration of the appointment is therefore being delayed awaiting further communication from you.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Barth
First Assistant Postmaster General.
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Washington

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REFER TO INITIALS AND DATE

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March 10, 1923.

Hon. R. H. Todd,

San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Mr. Todd:

With reference to your recommendation of Mr. John L. Gay for postmaster at San Juan, I wish to say that the Department understands Mr. Gay has been appointed a regular Assistant United States Attorney and does not wish to accept the postmastership at this office.

Kindly suggest the name of some other person for postmaster at San Juan.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Bartlett
First Assistant Postmaster General.

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March 27, 1923.

Honorable John H. Bartlett,
First Assistant Postmaster General,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Governor:-

Replying to your communication of March 10, 1923, MAP, requesting that I suggest the name of some person to fill the vacancy of Postmaster at San Juan, P. R., I beg leave to recommend to you for appointment the name of Mr. Fernando Montilla, of San Juan, P. R., a man eminently fitted for the position and who has shown executive ability in other offices.

Please take notice that Mr. Montilla is temporarily residing now at No. 4 West, 93rd. Street, New York City, but his official residence is San Juan, P. R., where he was born and reared and where he owns property.

Sincerely yours,