

August 21st, 1922.

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

My dear Governor:-

Referring to the Post Office of Lares, Porto Rico, which is to become vacant on the 5th of September next, I beg to recommend for the filling of said position the name of REINALDO PANIAGUA JR., a man of high character, with thorough knowledge of office work and a good command of English language.

Very respectfully,

September 5, 1922.

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

My dear Governor:-

Referring to your letter of August
21, 1922, AP, regarding the Post office at Lares, P. R.,
I beg to recommend that REINALDO PANIAGUA JR., be appointed
for said office.

Very respectfully,

Post Office Department

FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

Washington

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IN REPLYING
REFER TO INITIALS AND DATE
AP

September 6, 1922

Hon. Robert H. Todd,
San Juan, Porto Rico.

My dear Mr. Todd:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo recommending the appointment of Reinaldo Paniagua, Jr. as postmaster at Lares, Porto Rico.

In this connection I desire to say that Governor Reilly has recommended the reappointment of Paul Vilella, Jr., the present postmaster.

I shall be pleased to consider any further statements you may wish to make regarding this case.

Sincerely yours,

Geo. B. Coey

Acting First Assistant Postmaster General.

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September 27, 1922

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

My dear Governor:-

In reply to your letter of September
6, 1922, B - AP, regarding the Postoffice at Lares, P. R.,
I beg to state that I am trying to have the Governor recede
in his recommendation of the present incumbent PAUL VILFILA
JR., for a new term, and I therefore request that this matter
be held in abeyance for a short while more.

Sincerely yours,

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

December 27, 1922.

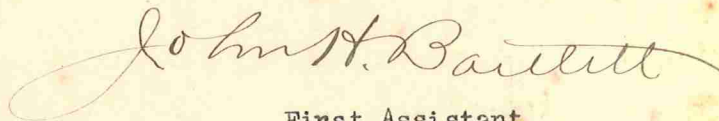
Hon. Robert H. Todd,
San Juan, Porto Rico.

Dear Mr. Todd:

We have a protest against the appointment of
Mr. Paniagua, jr., as postmaster at Lares. The commission
has not been issued and the nature of the protest is such
that we are inclined to hold it up until it is investigated.
Protest is based on questionable moral conduct and is signed
by several who are said to be the leading citizens of Lares.

What is your suggestion with reference to the matter?

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John H. Bartlett". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name of the sender.

First Assistant.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OF PORTO RICO.
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Mr Roberto H Todd
San Juan

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IMPORTANTE.

El medio más rápido y más seguro de tramitar sus negociaciones es el telégrafo. Si usted desea consultar, tramitar o resolver un mismo asunto con diez o más personas en una o más ciudades de la isla, al mismo tiempo, se ahorra tiempo y dinero poniendo un solo TELEGRAMA MULTIPLE. Y si tiene interés en que una carta llegue bien y pronto a su destino, mándela por telégrafo como CARTA NOCTURNA. Llame a la oficina del telégrafo pidiendo informes sobre estos particulares: será atendido al momento.