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Mr. John Roach
2805 Alton Road
Fort Worth, Texas 76109

Dear John,

I understand that you wish me to do a portrait of Jean to be presented to her before or on Christmas of this year.

I would be honored to do such a portrait which will measure the same size as the informal portrait I made of you that now hangs in your home.

The price of the work framed will be \$25,000 plus sales tax. It is my standard practice that before work begins I require a 50% non-refundable deposit.

May I add a personal note here. From the moment I first met Jean (at your house when we were photographing you) I said to Stuart, "Now there is the Roach portrait I should really be doing!" I really mean it when I say that she has a special glow and beauty that I can't wait to capture in paint.

Although I have several major projects going - including portraits - I really want to do this one and will adjust my schedule accordingly. Just let Ralph know when Jean will be available to pose and we will photograph her.

Because of my other present commitments I am going to have to work on Jean in phases between projects, so the sooner we photograph her the easier will be my task of meeting your Christmas deadline. Not to worry. I have never missed a deadline yet.

This really excites me!

Sincerely yours,

Scott Gentling