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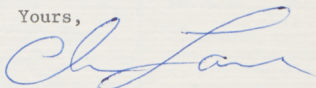
Dear Stuart,

Thanks for your phone call today, and congratulations on all the follow-up research you've done and for being able to spot the Audubon and know it was right. We are sorry we couldn't definitely establish the authorship, and so ask the appropriate price, but I think for all the effort you put into it, you were the right person to get the drawing at the price you did!

I am sending, under separate cover, the Audubon drawing of the March Wren. While we have enough arguments on our own to definitely establish this drawing as by Audubon, I know that you could do it with your own resources. It is fascinating to think that hardly anyone ever is able to have even one Audubon drawing pass through their hands, and here we have had two in a year! I hope that you like this drawing, for it would give us much pleasure to sell this to you, I think more than to anyone else. Don and I love the business we are in, and to be able to work with someone who, if anything, shows even more enthusiasm than us, is wonderful.

You are one person we don't have to demonstrate the authenticity of this drawing to, but if you do have any questions, please call. It is always a pleasure to hear from you.

Yours,



Christopher W. Lane



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