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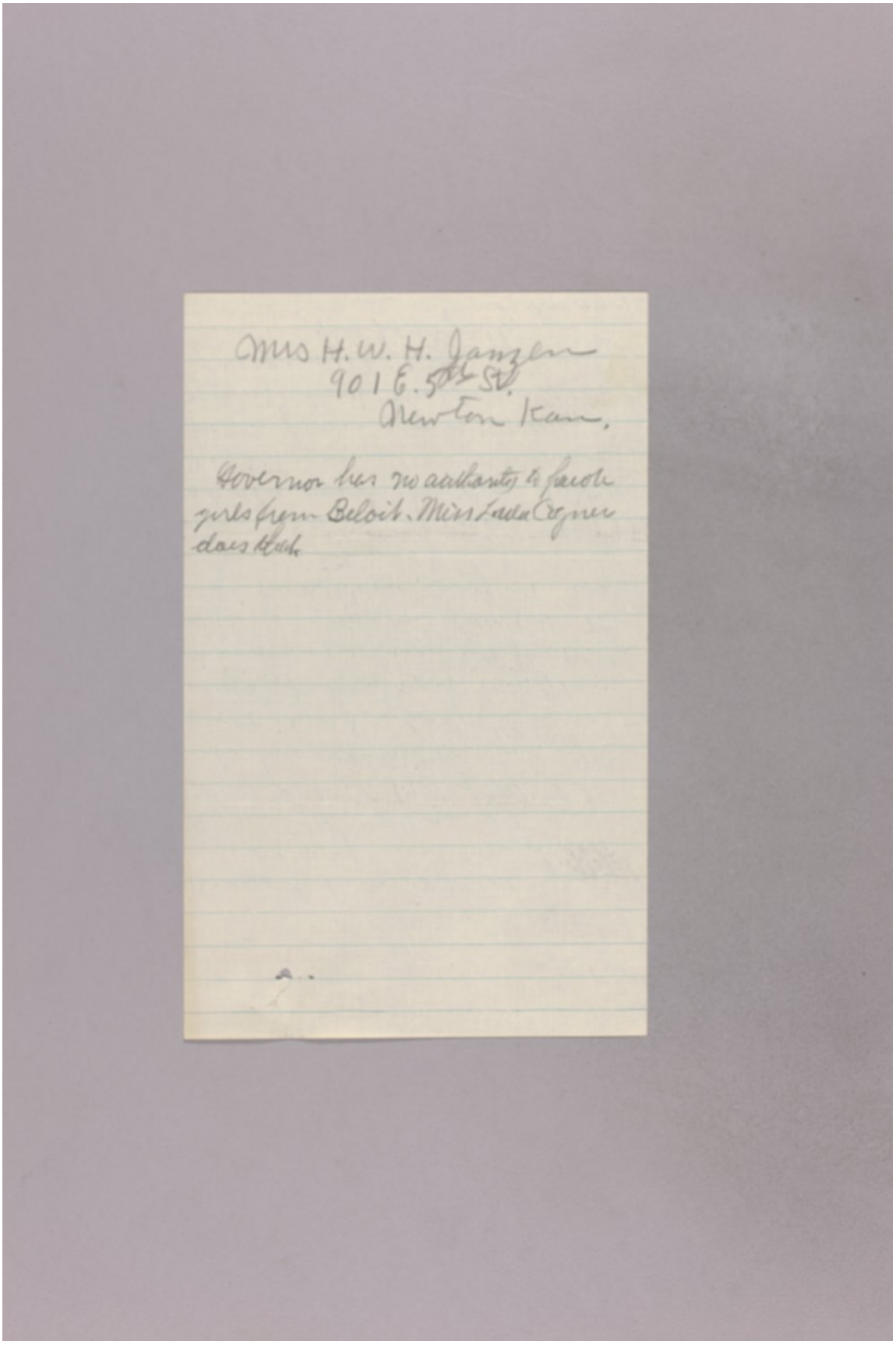
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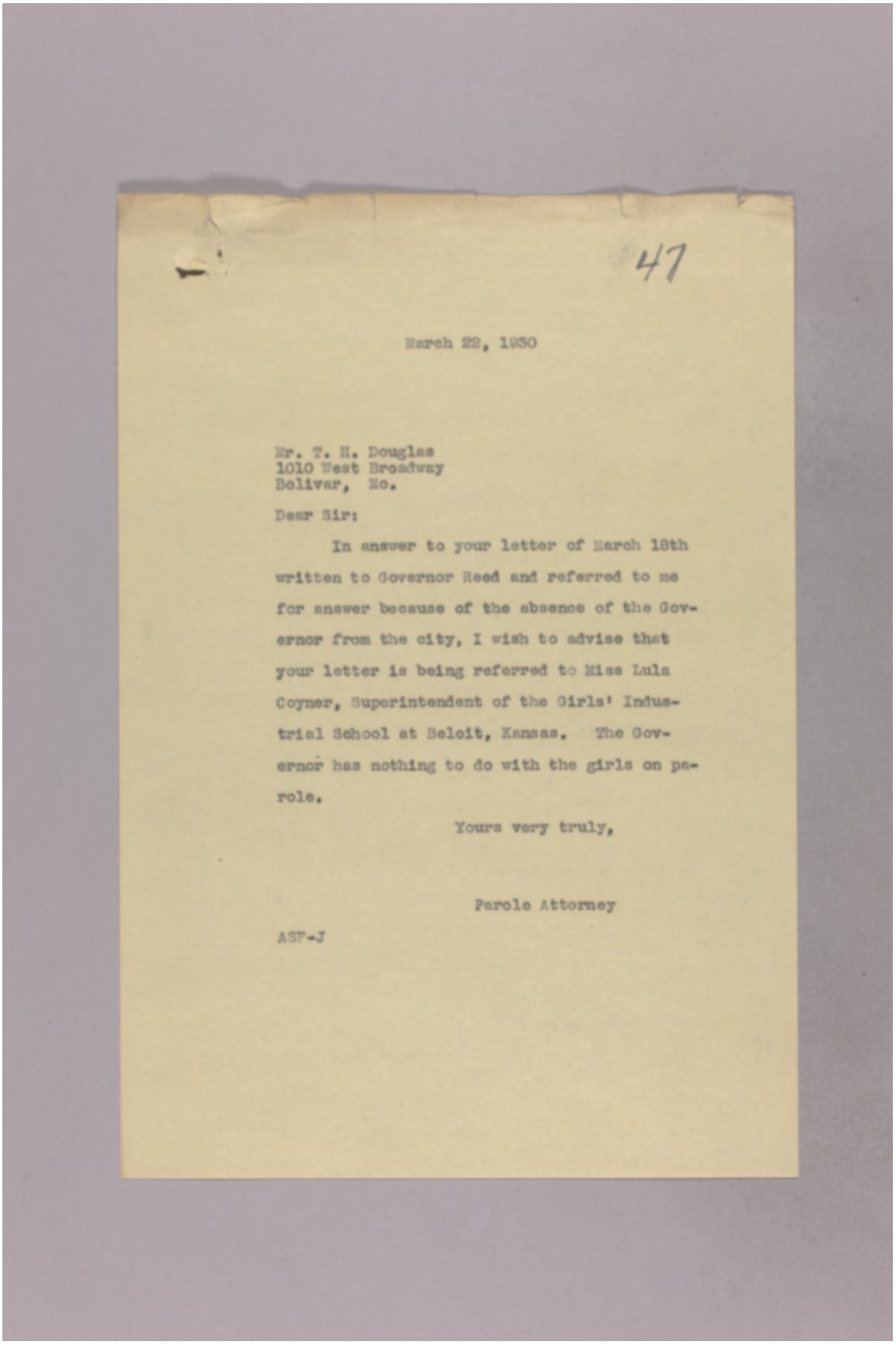
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Mrs H. W. H. Janzen
901 E. 5th St.
Newton Kans.

Governor has no authority to parole girls from Beloit. Miss Tadd Cogner does that.

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March 22, 1930

Mr. T. H. Douglas
1010 West Broadway
Bolivar, Mo.

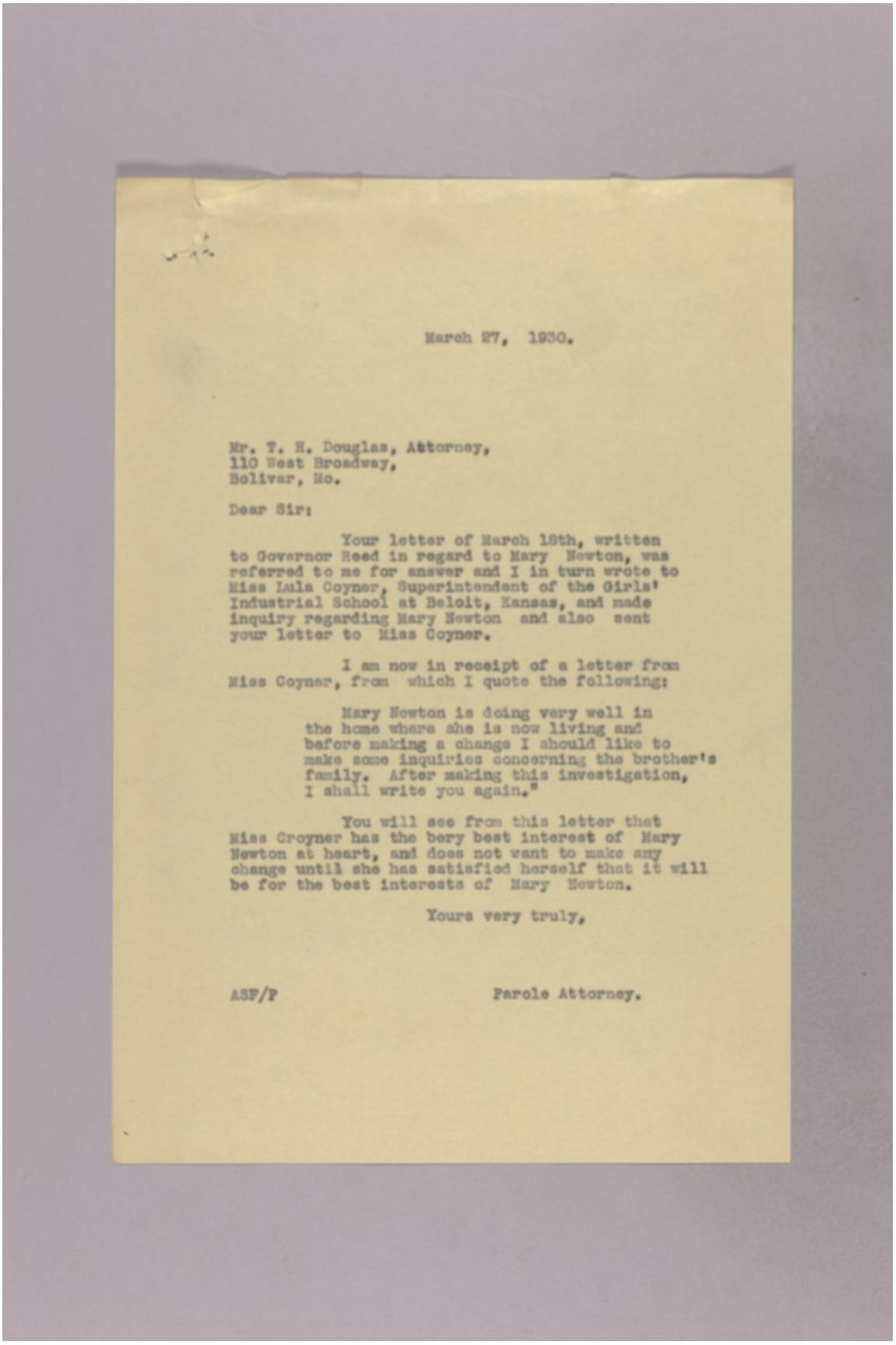
Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of March 18th written to Governor Reed and referred to me for answer because of the absence of the Governor from the city, I wish to advise that your letter is being referred to Miss Lula Coyner, Superintendent of the Girls' Industrial School at Beloit, Kansas. The Governor has nothing to do with the girls on parole.

Yours very truly,

Parole Attorney

ASF-J



March 27, 1930.

Mr. T. H. Douglas, Attorney,
110 West Broadway,
Bolivar, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 18th, written to Governor Reed in regard to Mary Newton, was referred to me for answer and I in turn wrote to Miss Lula Coyner, Superintendent of the Girls' Industrial School at Beloit, Kansas, and made inquiry regarding Mary Newton and also sent your letter to Miss Coyner.

I am now in receipt of a letter from Miss Coyner, from which I quote the following:

> Mary Newton is doing very well in the home where she is now living and before making a change I should like to make some inquiries concerning the brother's family. After making this investigation, I shall write you again."

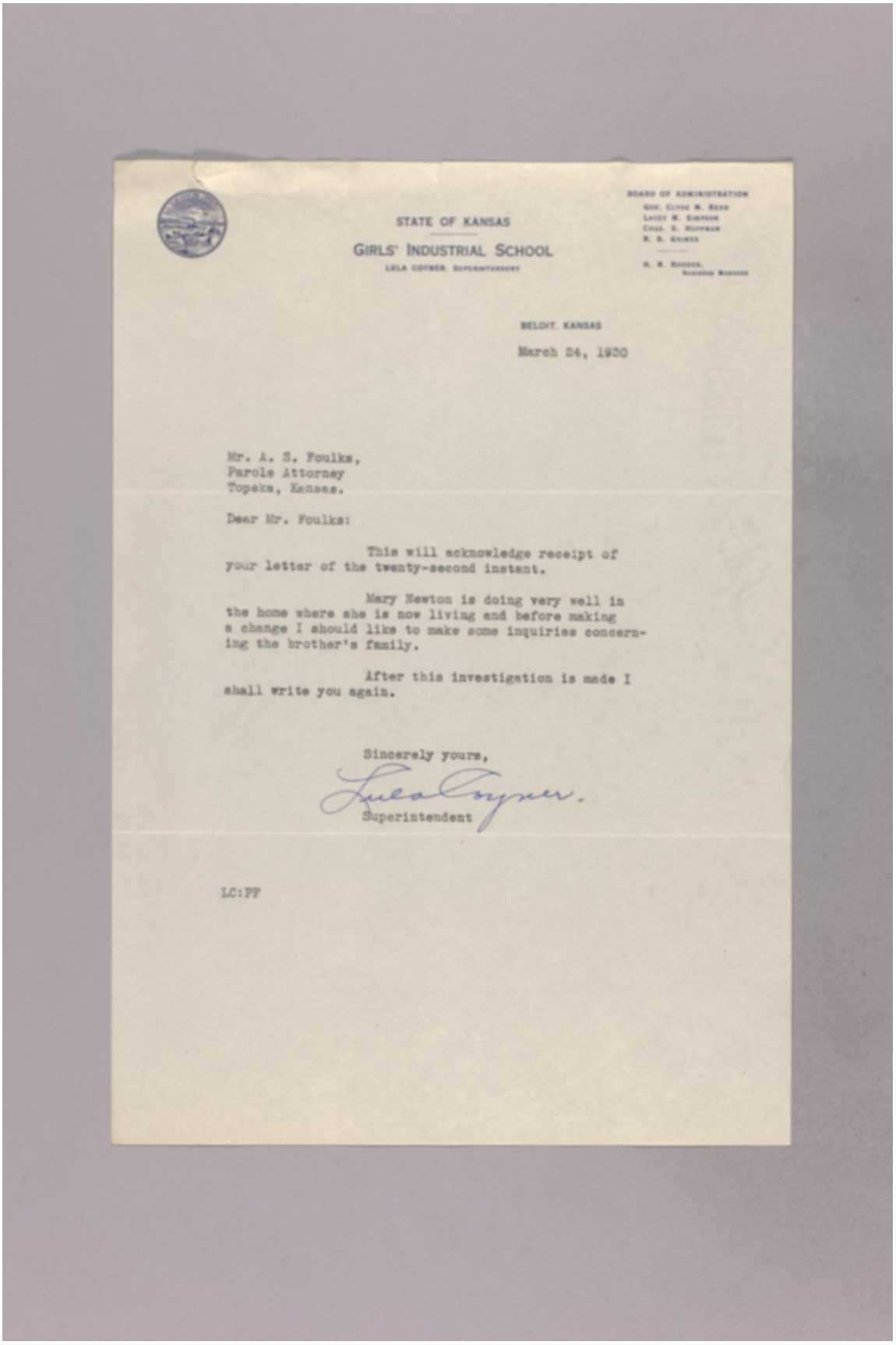
You will see from this letter that Miss Croyner has the bery best interest of Mary Newton at heart, and does not want to make any change until she has satisfied herself that it will be for the best interests of Mary Newton.

Yours very truly,

ASF/P

Parole Attorney.

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STATE OF KANSAS
GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL
LELA COYNER, SUPERINTENDENT

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
GOV. CLYDE M. REED
LACEY M. SIMPSON
CHAS. S. HUTCHAN
M. M. GRIMES

M. M. ROGERS,
BUSINESS MANAGER

BELOIT, KANSAS

March 24, 1930

Mr. A. S. Foulks,
Parole Attorney
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Foulks:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the twenty-second instant.

Mary Newton is doing very well in the home where she is now living and before making a change I should like to make some inquiries concerning the brother's family.

After this investigation is made I shall write you again.

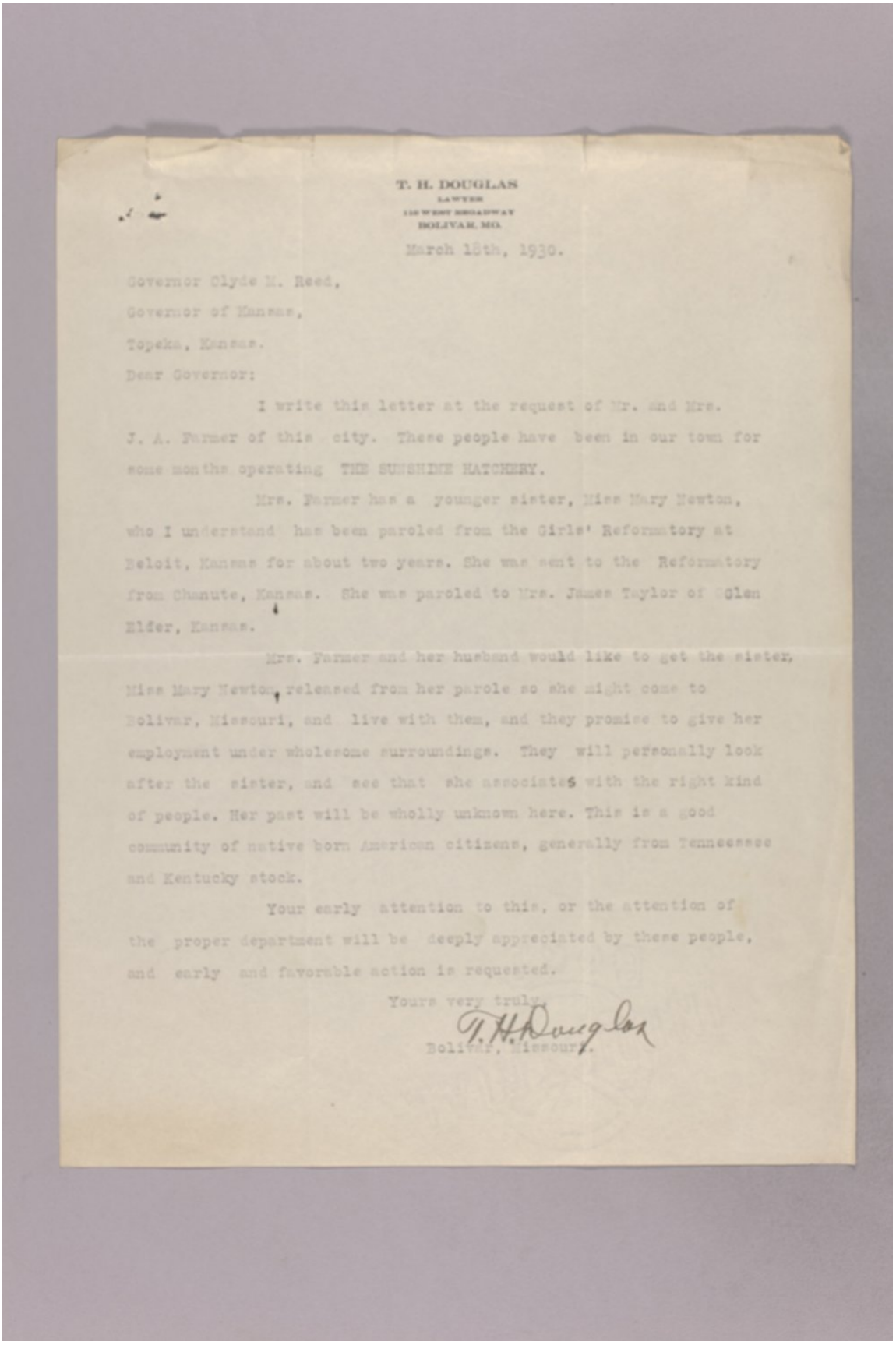
Sincerely yours,

Lela Coyner.

Superintendent

LC:FF

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T. H. DOUGLAS
LAWYER
110 WEST BROADWAY
BOLIVAR, MO.

March 18th, 1930.

Governor Clyde M. Reed,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor:

I write this letter at the request of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Farmer of this city. These people have been in our town for some months operating THE SUNSHINE HATCHERY.

Mrs. Farmer has a younger sister, Miss Mary Newton, who I understand has been paroled from the Girls' Reformatory at Beloit, Kansas for about two years. She was sent to the Reformatory from Chanute, Kansas. She was paroled to Mrs. James Taylor of Glen Elder, Kansas.

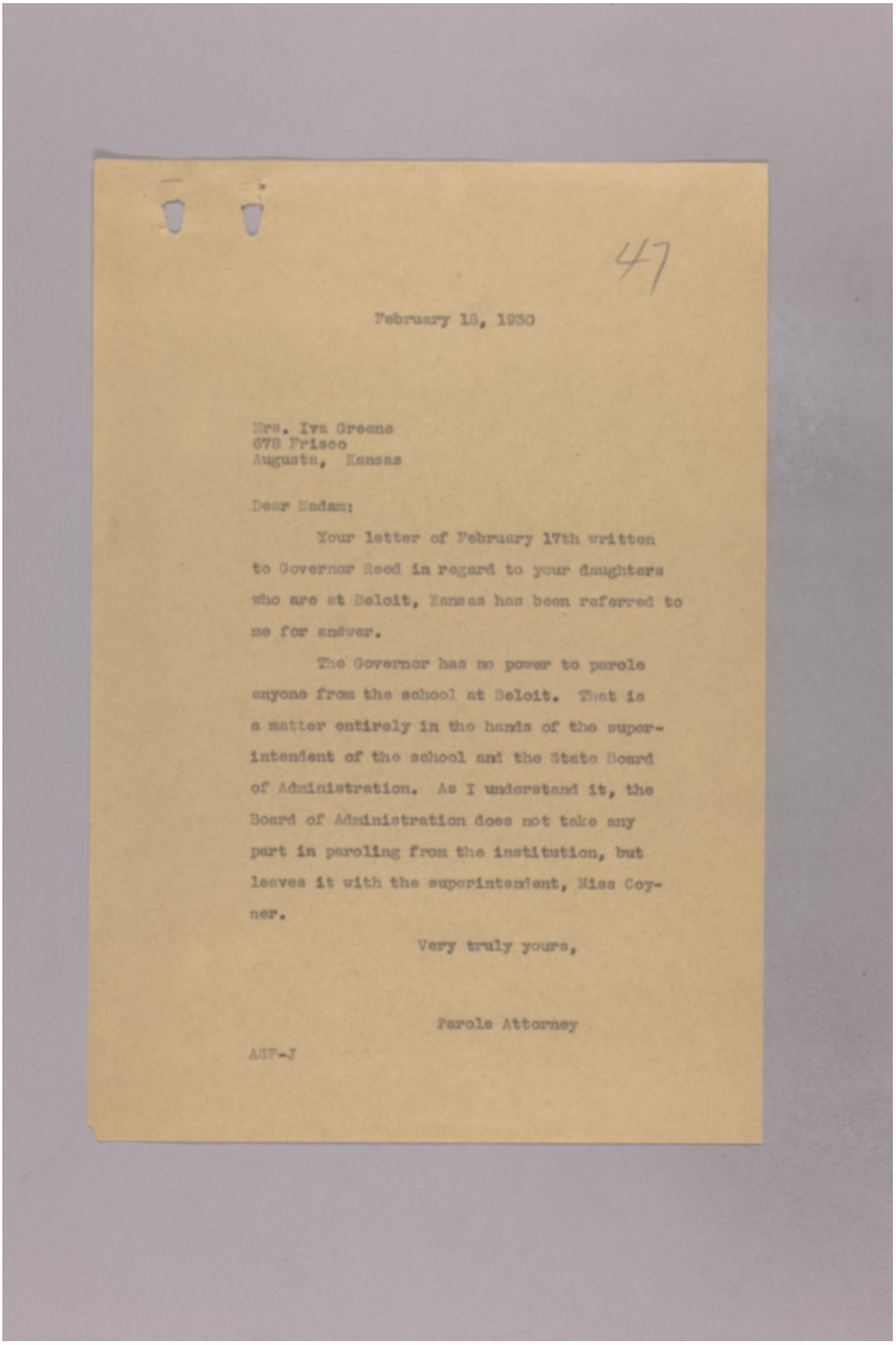
Mrs. Farmer and her husband would like to get the sister, Miss Mary Newton, released from her parole so she might come to Bolivar, Missouri, and live with them, and they promise to give her employment under wholesome surroundings. They will personally look after the sister, and see that she associates with the right kind of people. Her past will be wholly unknown here. This is a good community of native born American citizens, generally from Tennessee and Kentucky stock.

Your early attention to this, or the attention of the proper department will be deeply appreciated by these people, and early and favorable action is requested.

Yours very truly,

T. H. Douglas

Bolivar, Missouri.



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February 18, 1930

Mrs. Iva Greene
678 Frisco
Augusta, Kansas

Dear Madam:

Your letter of February 17th written to Governor Reed in regard to your daughters who are at Beloit, Kansas has been referred to me for answer.

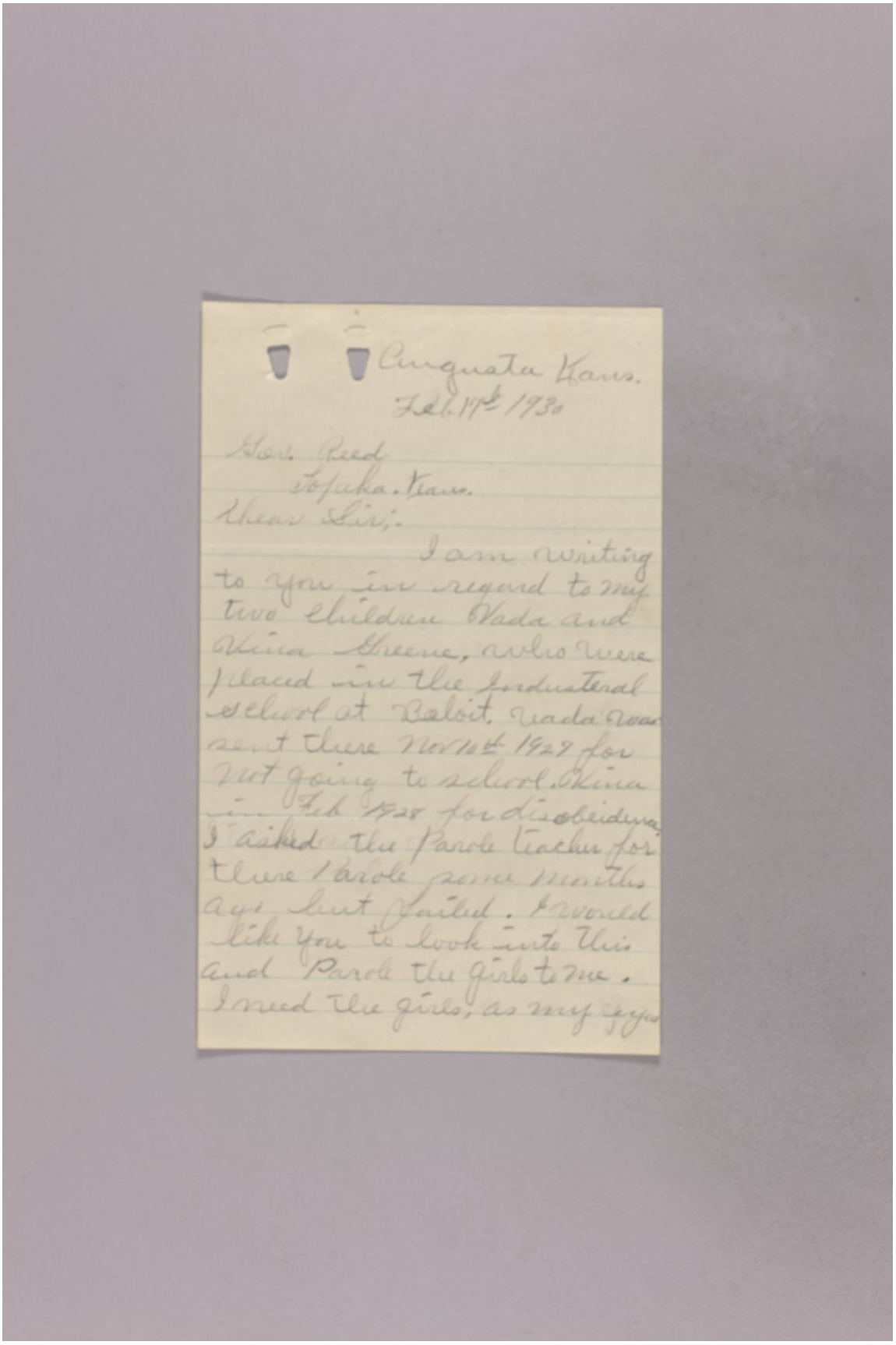
The Governor has no power to parole anyone from the school at Beloit. That is a matter entirely in the hands of the superintendent of the school and the State Board of Administration. As I understand it, the Board of Administration does not take any part in paroling from the institution, but leaves it with the superintendent, Miss Coyner.

Very truly yours,

Parole Attorney

ASP-J

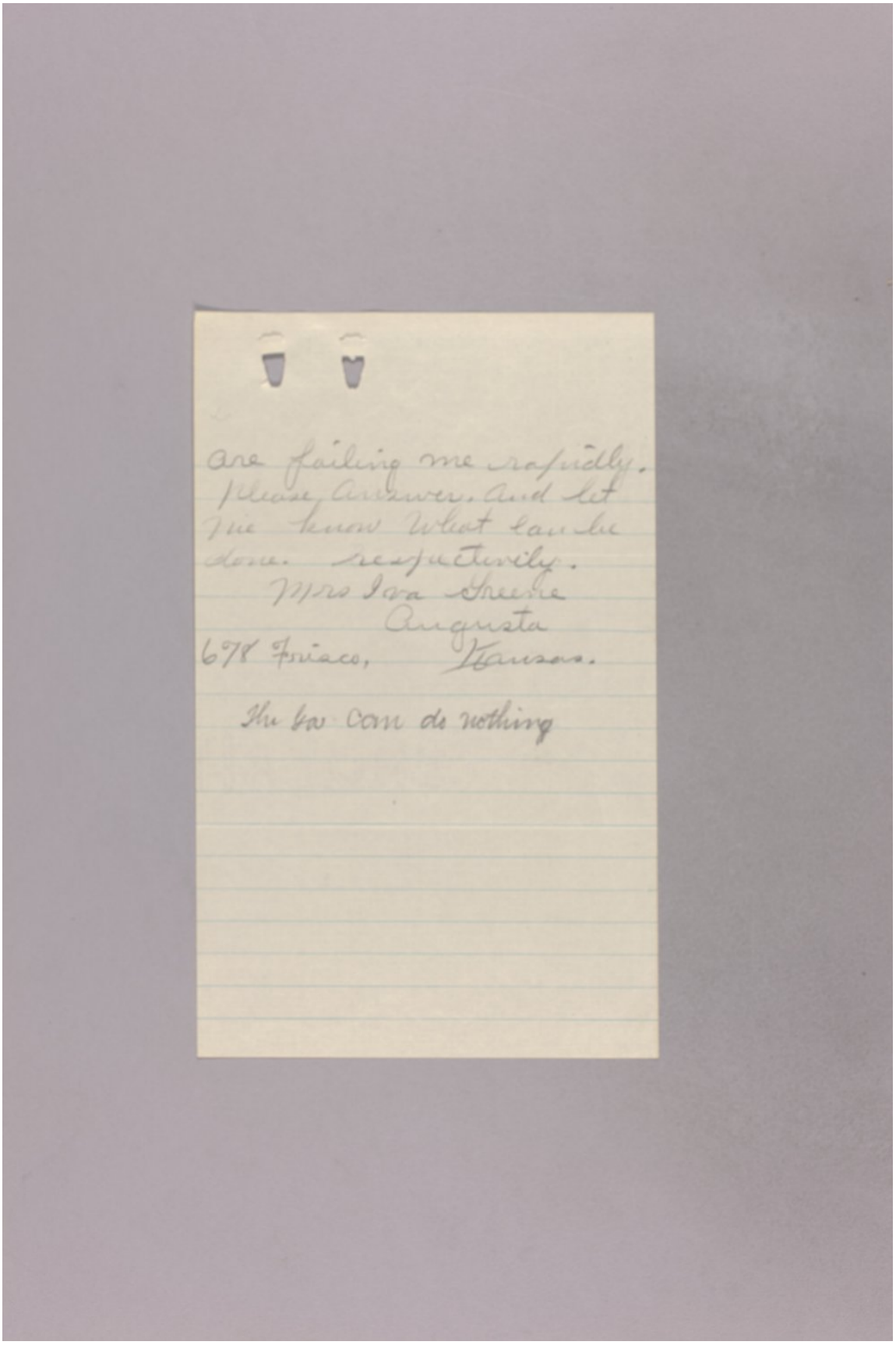
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Augusta Kans.
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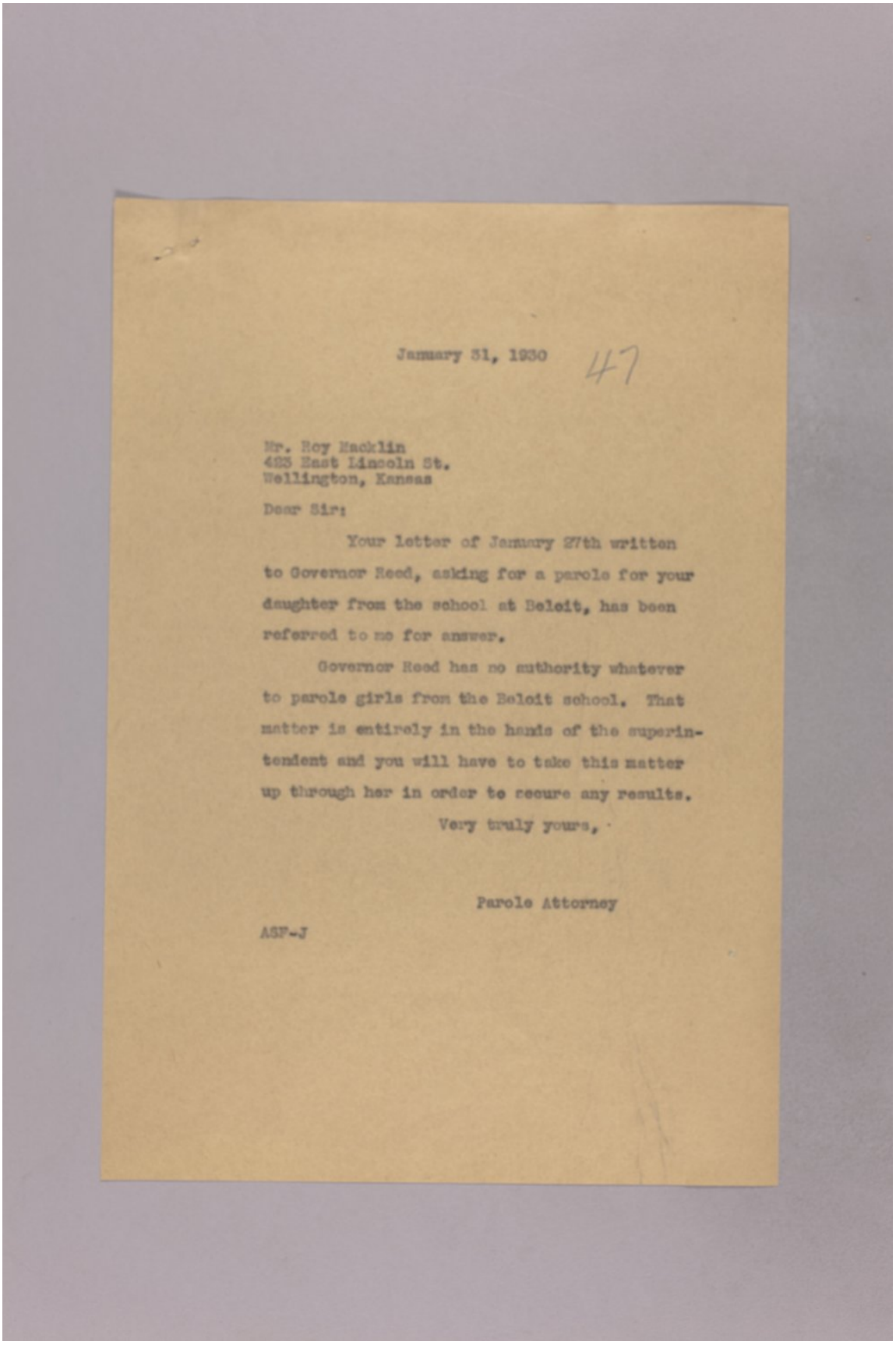
Gov. Reed
Topeka. Kans.
Dear Sir;.

I am writing to you in regard to my two children Vada and Alma Greene, who were placed in the Industeral school at Beloit. Vada was sent there Nov 10th 1927 for not going to school. Alma in Feb 1928 for disobedience. I asked the Parole teacher for there Parole some months ago but failed. I would like You to look into this and Parole the girls to me. I need the girls, as my eyes



are failing me rapidly.
Please Answer. And let
me know what can be
done. respectively.
Mrs Ira Greene
Augusta
678 Friaco, Kansas.

the law can do nothing



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Mr. Roy Macklin
423 East Lincoln St.
Wellington, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Your letter of January 27th written to Governor Reed, asking for a parole for your daughter from the school at Beloit, has been referred to me for answer.

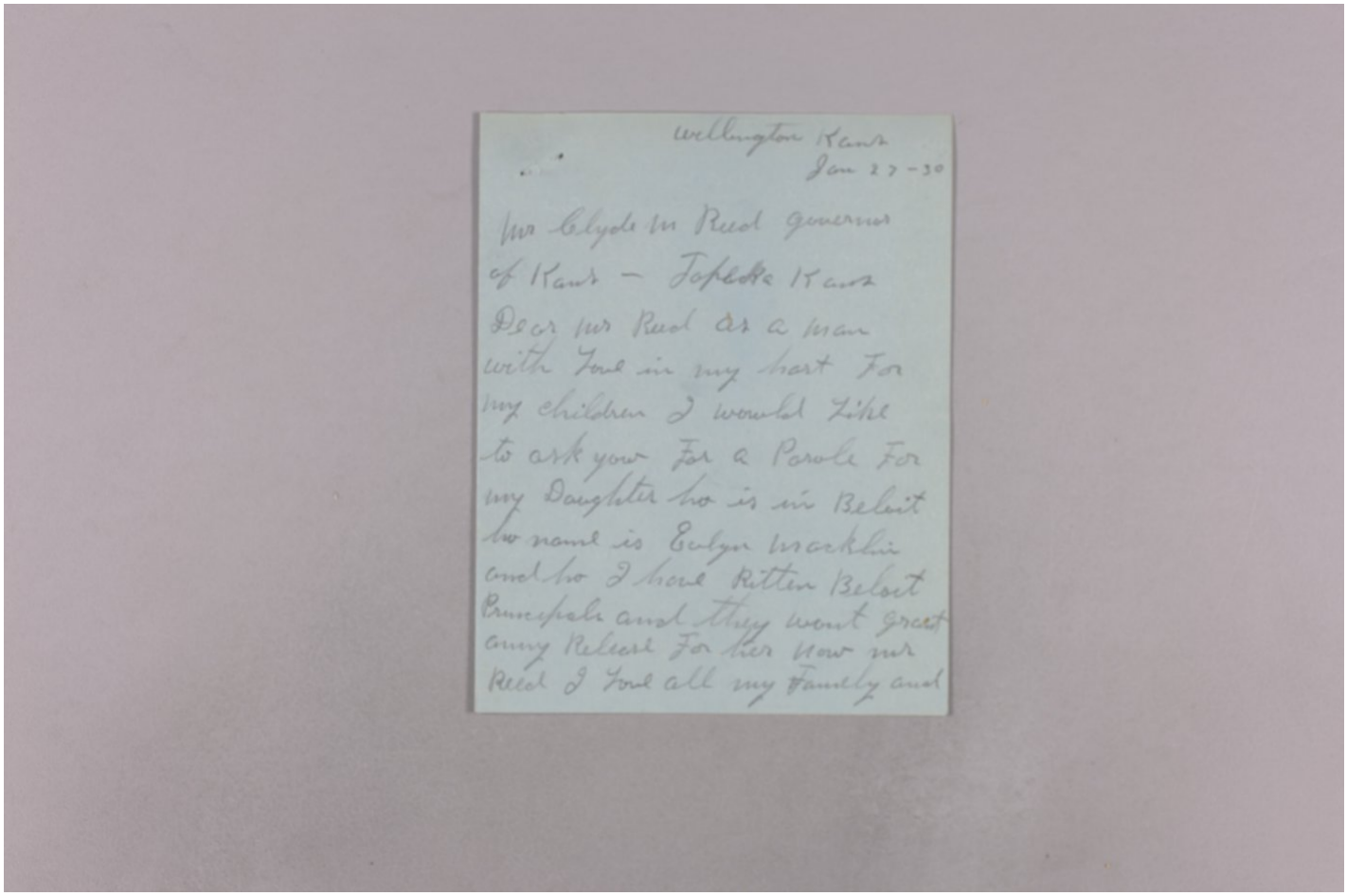
Governor Reed has no authority whatever to parole girls from the Beloit school. That matter is entirely in the hands of the superintendent and you will have to take this matter up through her in order to secure any results.

Very truly yours,

Parole Attorney

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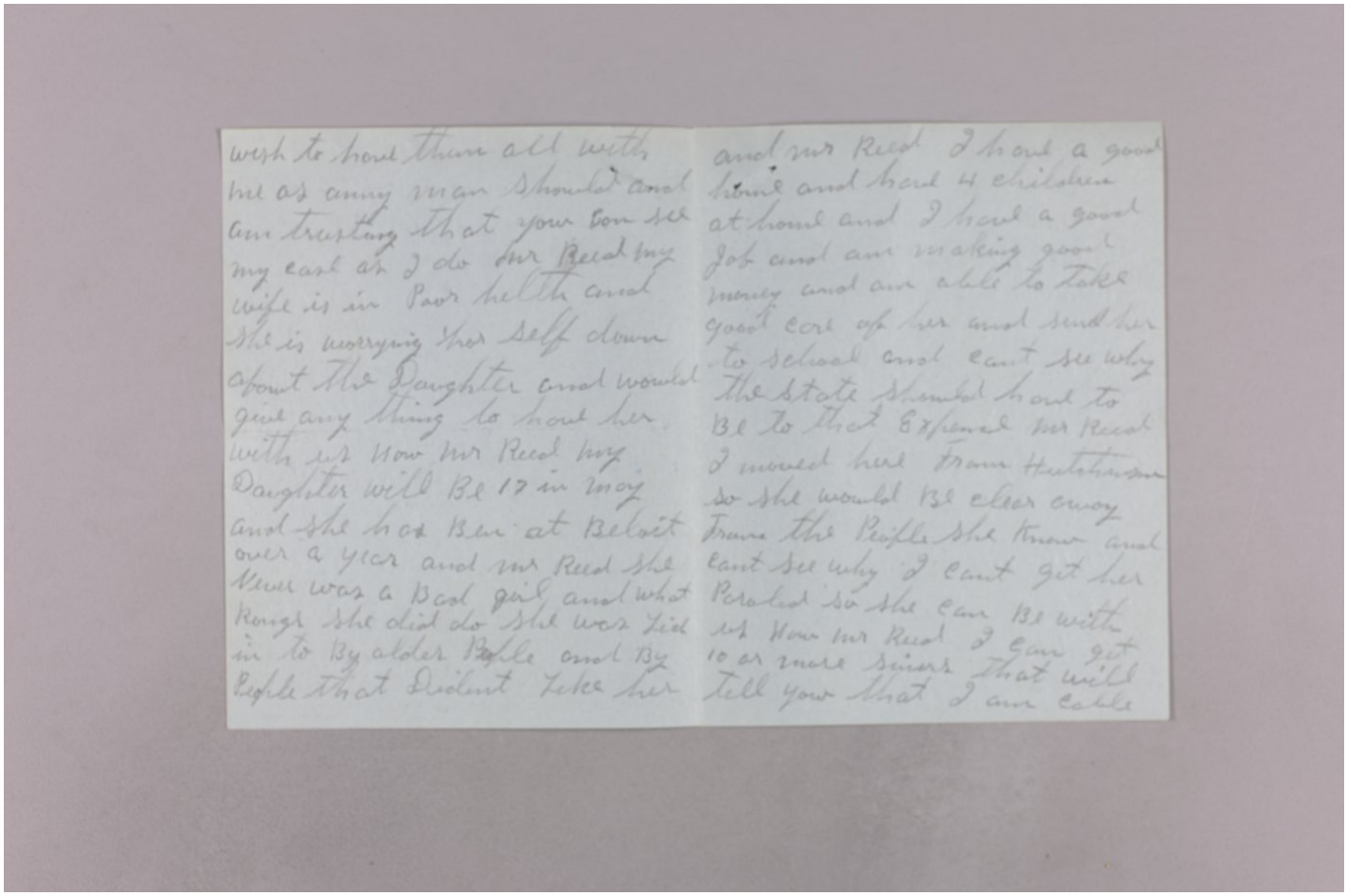
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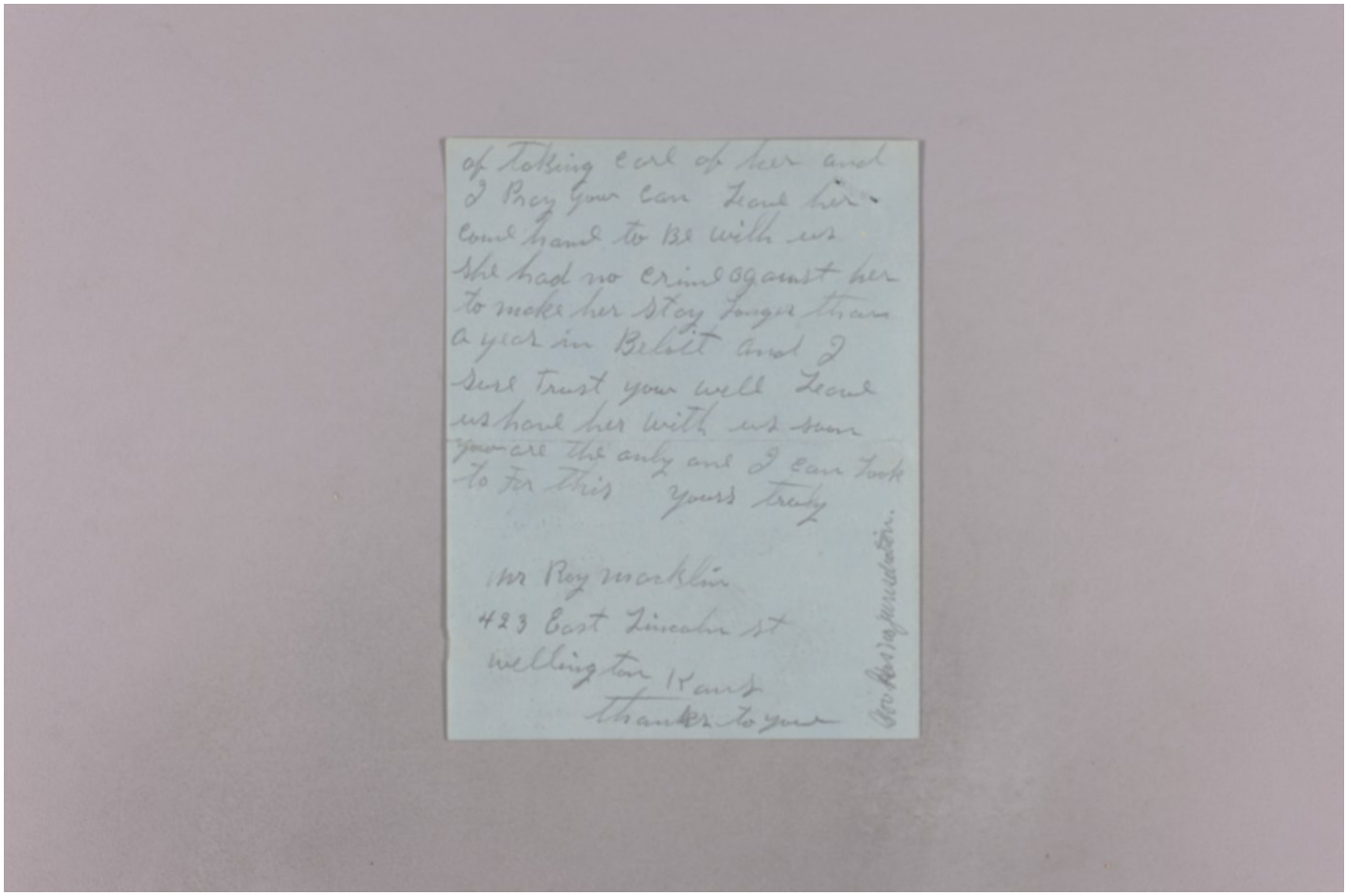
Mr Clyde M Reed governor
of Kans – Topeka Kans
Dear Mr Reed as a man
with Soul in my heart For
my children I would like
to ask you For a Parole For
my Daughter ho is in Beloit
ho name is Evelyn Markin
and ho I have Ritten Beloit
Principals and they went Great
anny Reliefe For her Now Mr
Reed I Soul all my Family and

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wish to have them all with
me as anny man should and
am trusting that you can see
my cast as I do mr Reed my
wife is in Poor helth and
she is worrying her self down
about the Daughter and would
give anything to have her
with us How mr Reed my
Daughter will Be 17 in may
and she has Ben at Beloit
over a year and mr Reed she
Never was a Bad girl and what
Rough she did do She was led
in to By older People and By
People that Dident Take her
and mr Reed I have a good
home and have 4 children
at home and I have a good
Job and am making good
money and am able to take
good care of her and send her
to school and cant see why
the State should have to
Be to that Expense mr Reed
I moved here from Hutchinson
so she would Be clear away
from the People she know and
cant see why I cant get her
Paroled so she can Be with
us How mr Reed I can get
10 or more signs that will
Tell you that I am able

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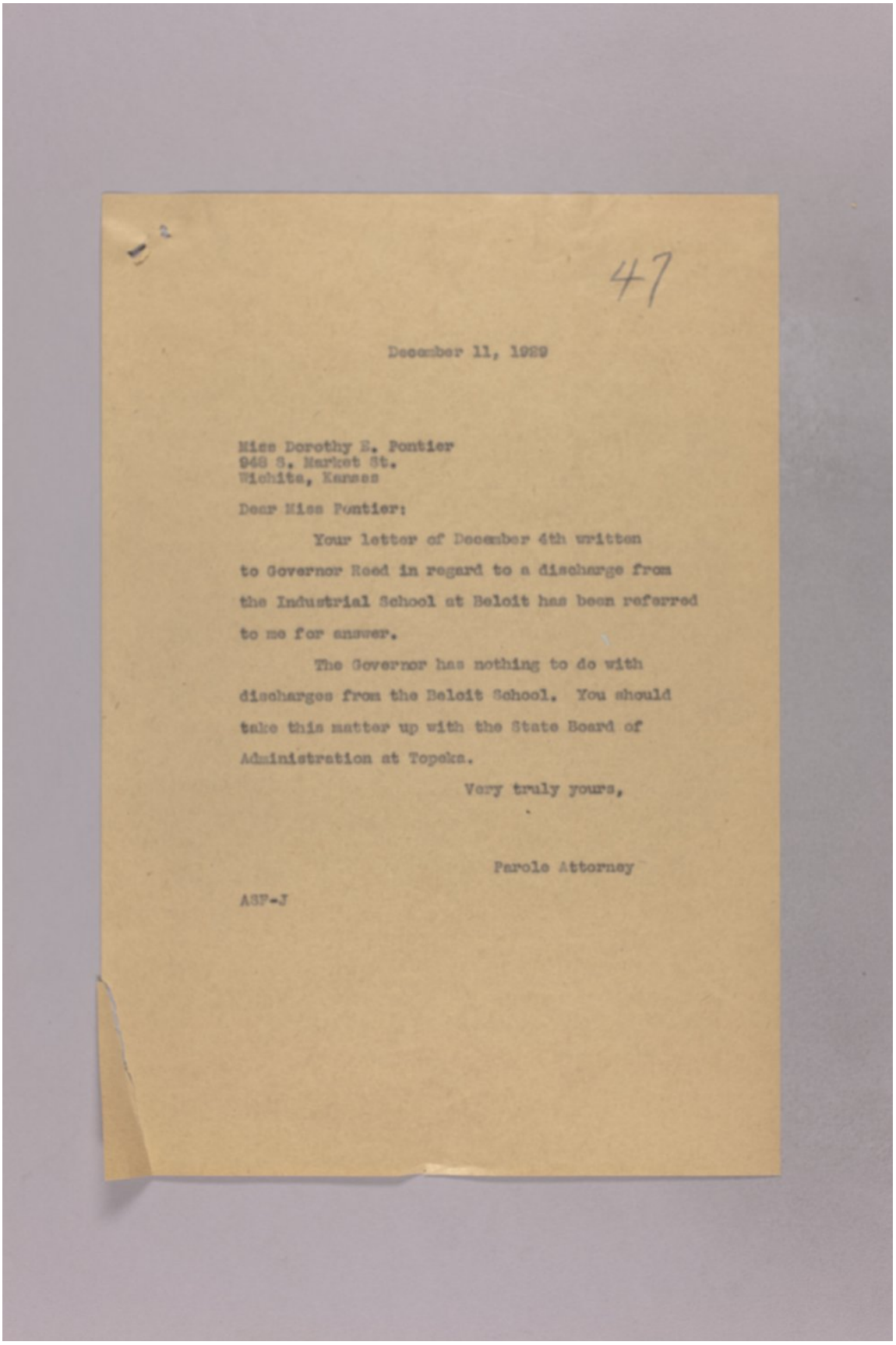


of Taking care of her and
I Pray your can Leave her
come home to Be with us
She had no crime Against her
to make her Stay longer than
a year in Beloit and I
sure Trust your well Leave
us have her with us soon
you are the only one I can look
to for this Yours Truly

Mr Roy Macklin
423 East Lincoln St
Wellington Kans

thanks to you

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December 11, 1929

Miss Dorothy E. Pontier
948 S. Market St.
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Miss Pontier:

Your letter of December 4th written to Governor Reed in regard to a discharge from the Industrial School at Beloit has been referred to me for answer.

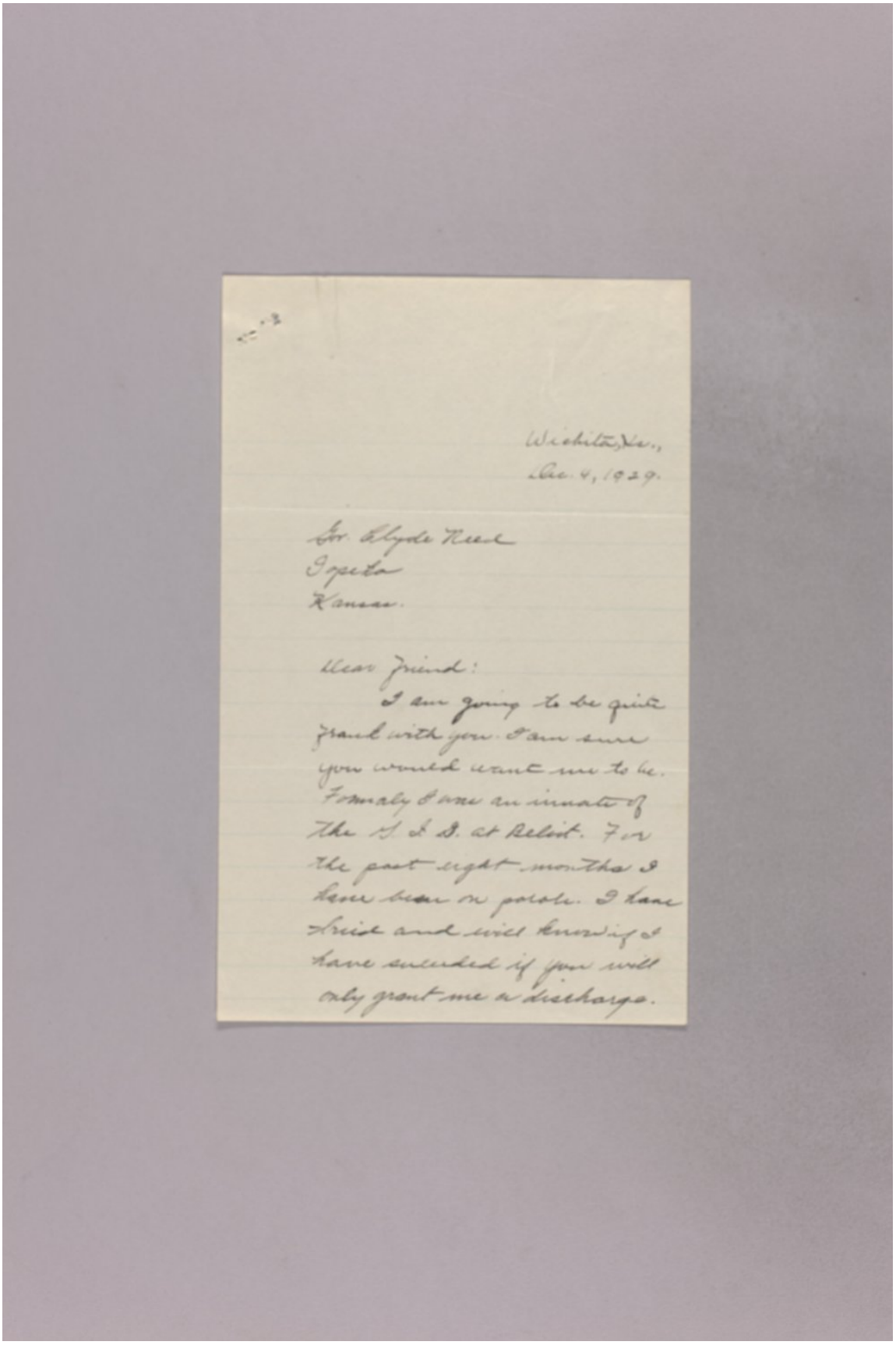
The Governor has nothing to do with discharges from the Beloit School. You should take this matter up with the State Board of Administration at Topeka.

Very truly yours,

Parole Attorney

ASP-J

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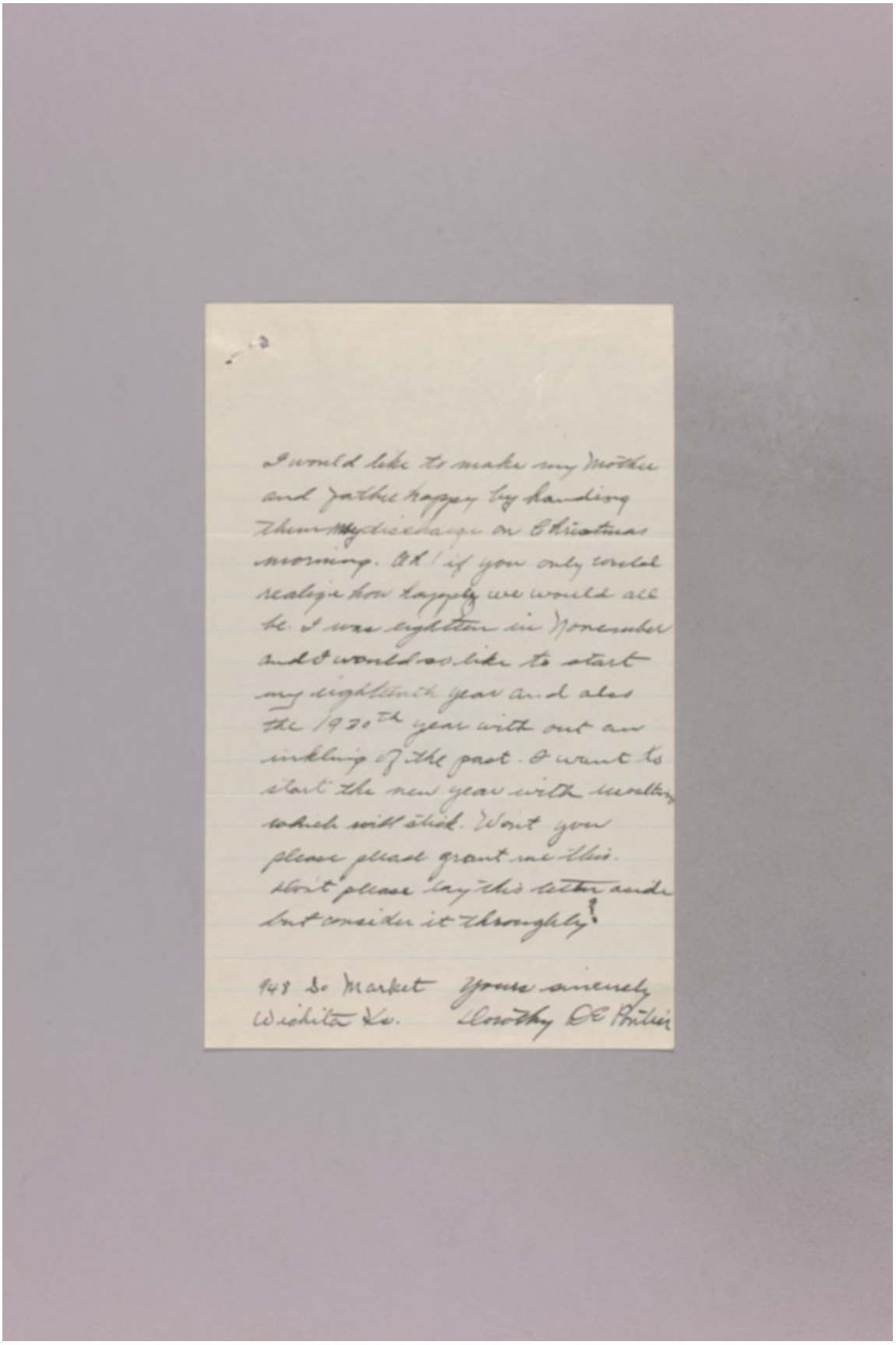
Wichita, Kan.,
Dec. 4, 1929.

Gov. Clyde Reed
Topeka
Kansas.

Dear friend:

I am going to be quite frank with you. I am sure you would want me to be. Formaly I was an inmate of the G. I. S. at Beloit. For the past eight months I have been on parole. I have tried and tried knowing I have amended if you will only grant me a discharge.

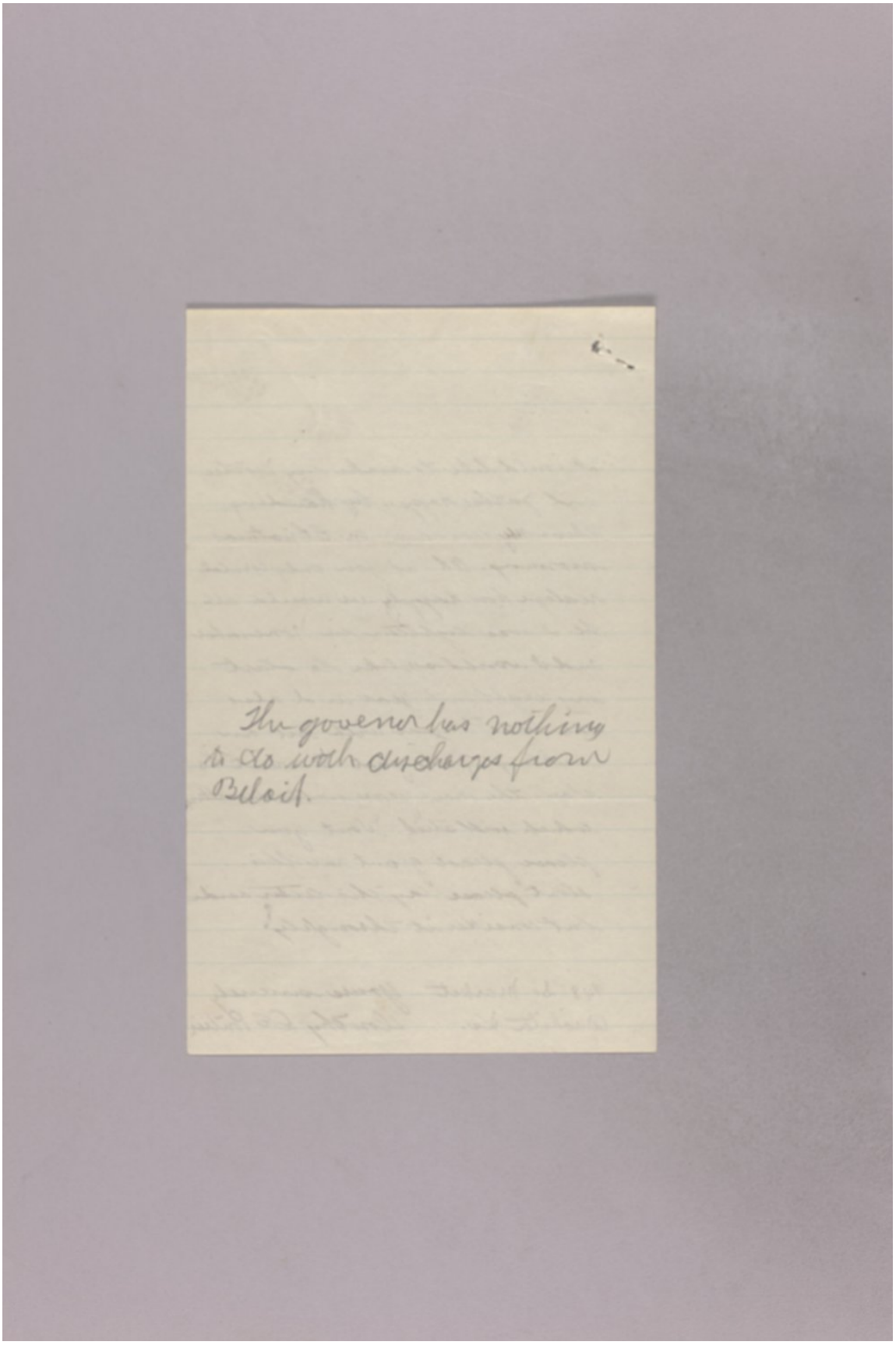
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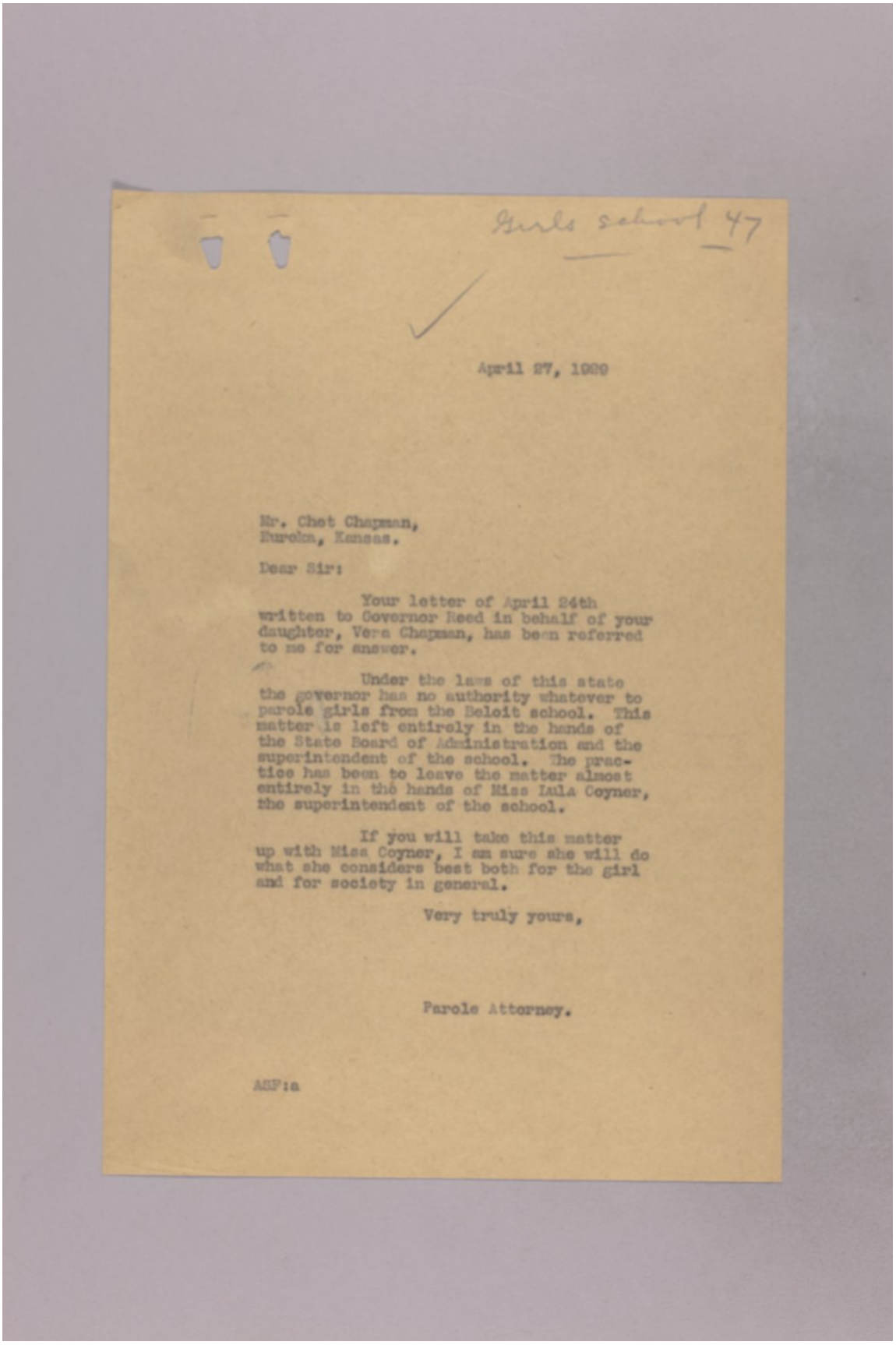
I would like to make my Mother and Father happy by handing them my discharge on Christmas morning. Oh! if you only could realize how happy we would all be. I was eighteen in November and I would so like to start my eighteenth year and also the 1930th year with out an inkling of the past. I want to start the new year with something which will stick. Won't you please please grant me this. Won't please lay this letter aside but consider it throughly!

948 So Market
Wichita Ks.

Yours sincerely
Dorothy DeBrien


The governor has nothing
to do with discharges from
Beloit.

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April 27, 1929

Mr. Chet Chapman,
Eureka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 24th written to Governor Reed in behalf of your daughter, Vera Chapman, has been referred to me for answer.

Under the laws of this state the governor has no authority whatever to parole girls from the Beloit school. This matter is left entirely in the hands of the State Board of Administration and the superintendent of the school. The practice has been to leave the matter almost entirely in the hands of Miss Lula Coyner, the superintendent of the school.

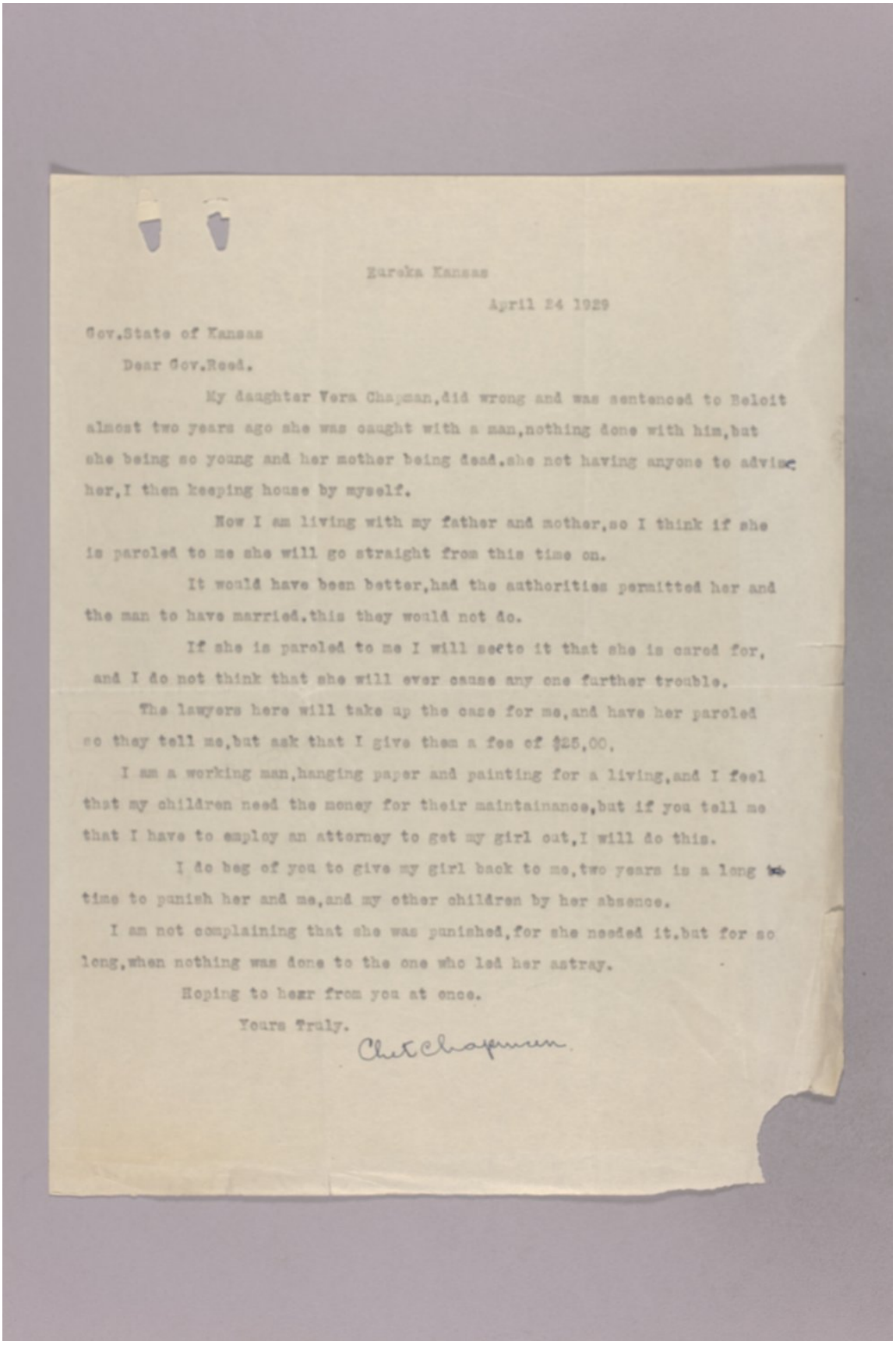
If you will take this matter up with Miss Coyner, I am sure she will do what she considers best both for the girl and for society in general.

Very truly yours,

Parole Attorney.

ASF:a

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Eureka Kansas

April 24 1929

Gov.State of Kansas

Dear Gov.Reed.

My daughter Vera Chapman,did wrong and was sentenced to Beloit almost two years ago she was caught with a man,nothing done with him,but she being so young and her mother being dead.she not having anyone to advise her,I then keeping house by myself.

Now I am living with my father and mother,so I think if she is paroled to me she will go straight from this time on.

It would have been better,had the authorities permitted her and the man to have married.this they would not do.

If she is paroled to me I will see to it that she is cared for, and I do not think that she will ever cause any one further trouble.

The lawyers here will take up the case for me,and have her paroled so they tell me,but ask that I give them a fee of $25.00.

I am a working man,hanging paper and painting for a living,and I feel that my children need the money for their maintainance,but if you tell me that I have to employ an attorney to get my girl out,I will do this.

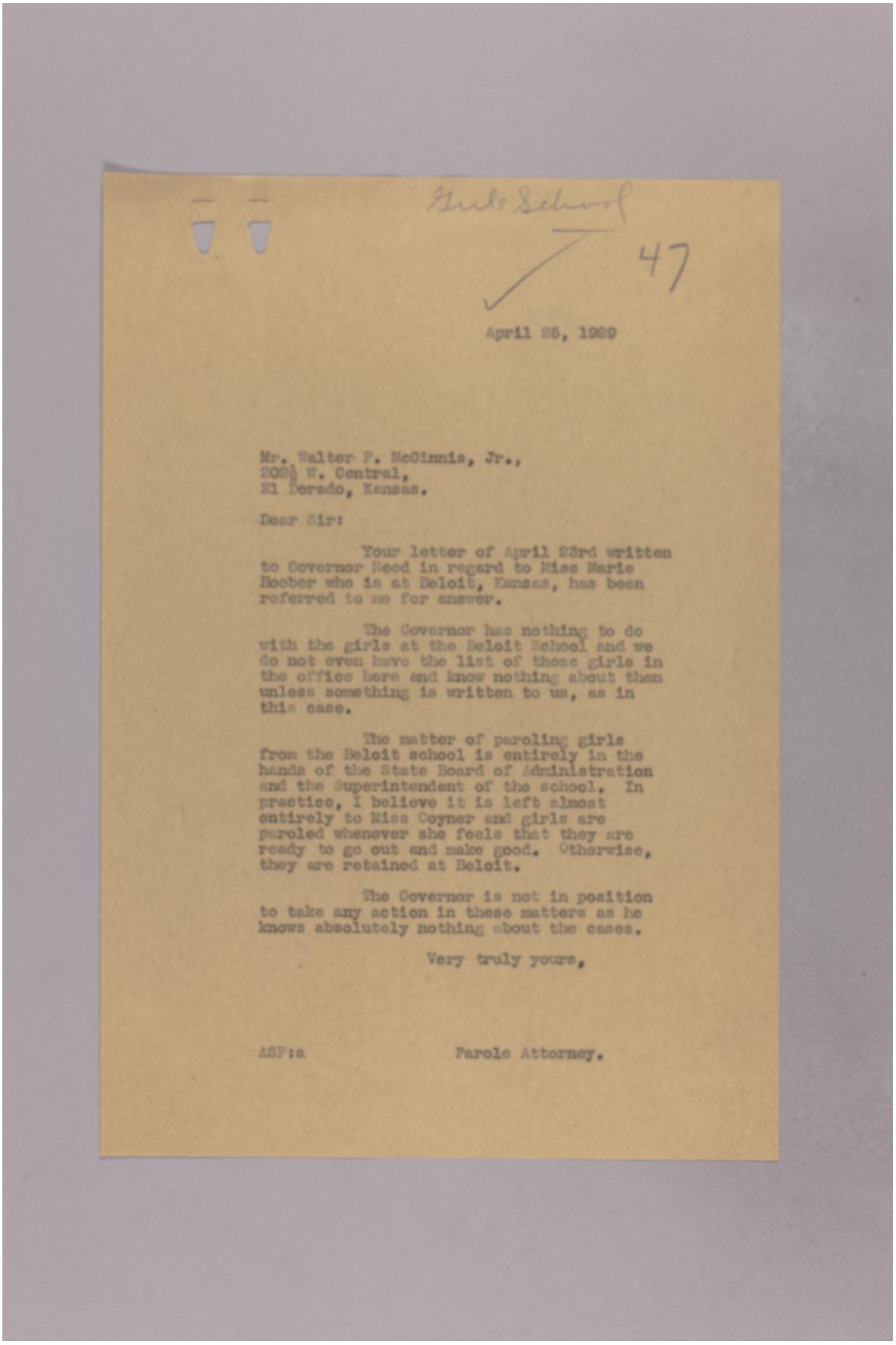
I do beg of you to give my girl back to me,two years is a long time to punish her and me,and my other children by her absence.

I am not complaining that she was punished,for she needed it,but for so long,when nothing was done to the one who led her astray.

Hoping to hear from you at once.

Yours Truly.

Chet Chapman



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April 25, 1929

Mr. Walter P. McGinnis, Jr.,
202½ W. Central,
El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 23rd written to Governor Reed in regard to Miss Marie Hoober who is at Beloit, Kansas, has been referred to me for answer.

The Governor has nothing to do with the girls at the Beloit School and we do not even have the list of those girls in the office here and know nothing about them unless something is written to us, as in this case.

The matter of paroling girls from the Beloit school is entirely in the hands of the State Board of Administration and the Superintendent of the school. In practice, I believe it is left almost entirely to Miss Coyner and girls are paroled whenever she feels that they are ready to go out and make good. Otherwise, they are retained at Beloit.

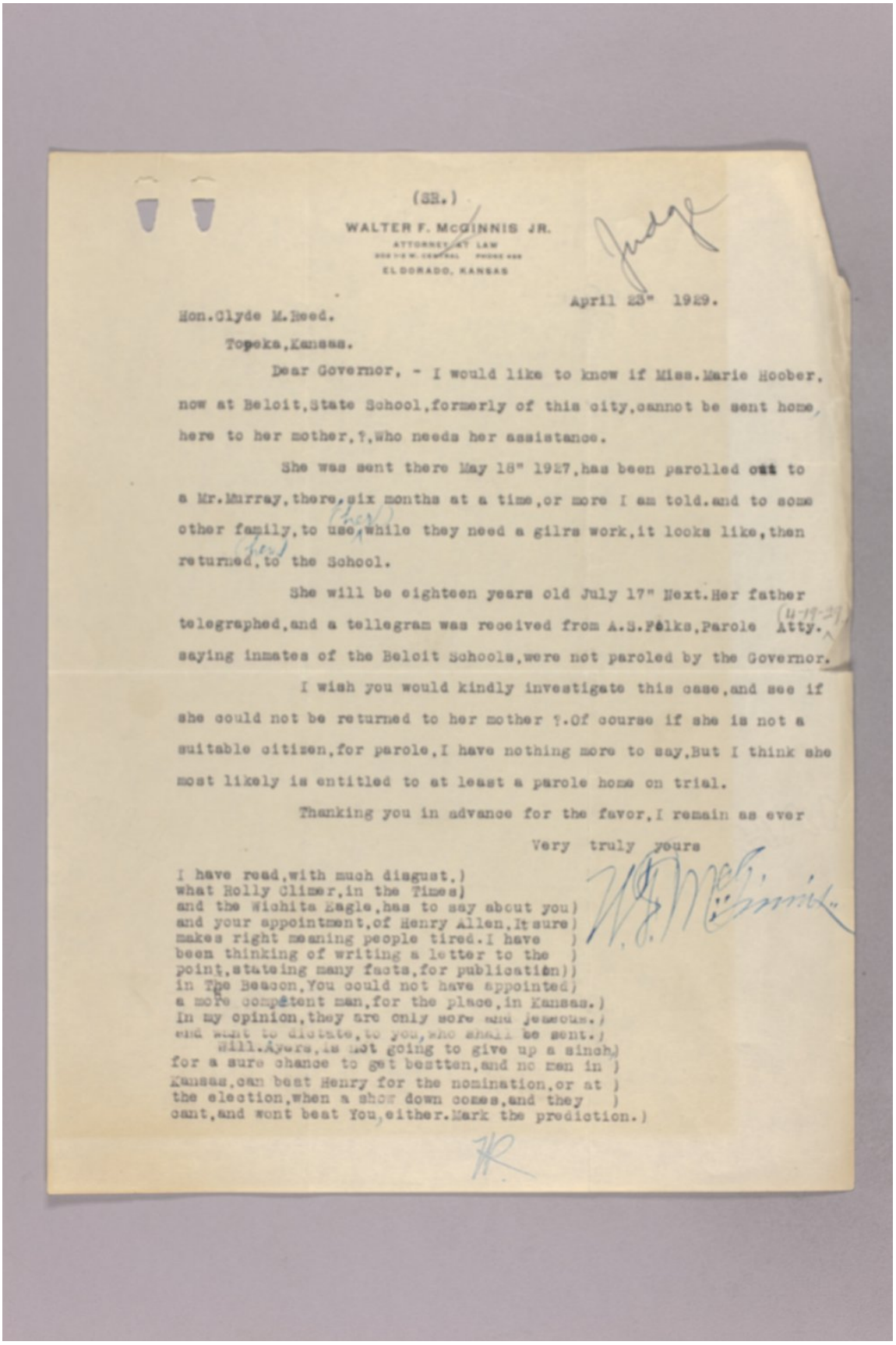
The Governor is not in position to take any action in these matters as he knows absolutely nothing about the cases.

Very truly yours,

ASP:a

Parole Attorney.

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(SE.)

WALTER F. McGINNIS JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
EL DORADO, KANSAS

April 23" 1929.

Hon.Clyde M.Reed.
Topeka,Kansas.

Dear Governor, - I would like to know if Miss.Marie Hoober, now at Beloit,State School,formerly of this city,cannot be sent home, here to her mother,†,Who needs her assistance.

She was sent there May 18" 1927,has been parolled out to a Mr.Murray,there,six months at a time,or more I am told.and to some other family,to use,while they need a gilrs work,it looks like,then returned,to the School.

She will be eighteen years old July 17" Next.Her father telegraphed,and a tellegram was received from A.S.Folks,Parole Atty. (4-19-27) saying inmates of the Beloit Schools,were not paroled by the Governor.

I wish you would kindly investigate this case,and see if she could not be returned to her mother †.Of course if she is not a suitable citizen,for parole,I have nothing more to say.But I think she most likely is entitled to at least a parole home on trial.

Thanking you in advance for the favor,I remain as ever

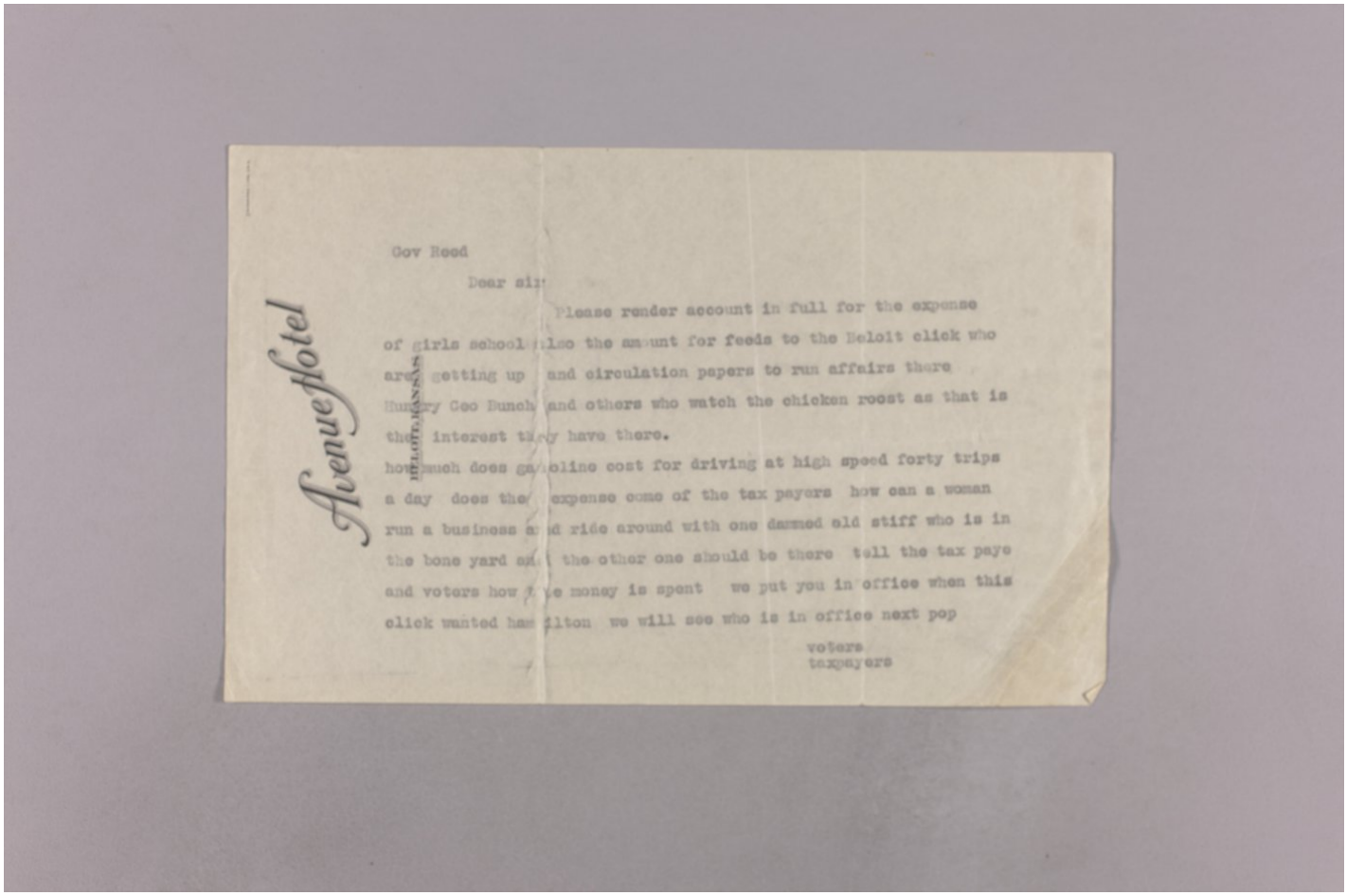
Very truly yours

W.F.McGinnis

I have read,with much disgust,)
what Holly Climer,in the Times)
and the Wichita Eagle,has to say about you)
and your appointment,of Henry Allen.It sure)
makes right meaning people tired.I have)
been thinking of writing a letter to the)
point,stateing many facts,for publication))
in The Beacon.You could not have appointed)
a more competent man,for the place,in Kansas.)
In my opinion,they are only sore and jeaeous.)
and want to dictate,to you,who shall be sent.)
Will.Ayers,is not going to give up a sinch)
for a sure chance to get bestten,and no men in)
Kansas,can beat Henry for the nomination,or at)
the election,when a show down comes,and they)
cant,and wont beat You,either.Mark the prediction.)

JR

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Avenue Hotel

Gov Reed

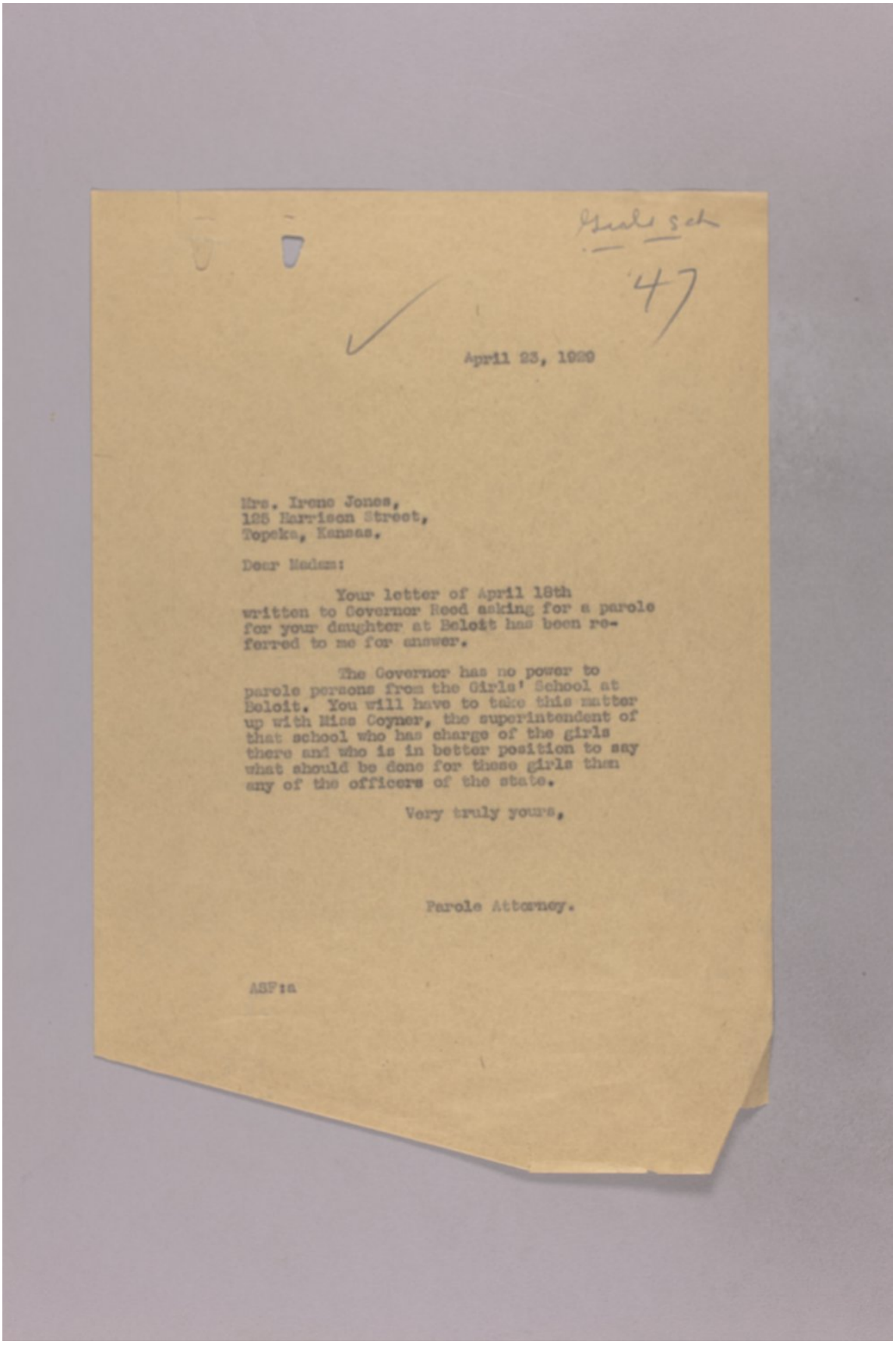
Dear sir

Please render account in full for the expense of girls school also the amount for feeds to the Beloit click who are getting up and circulation papers to run affairs there Hungry Geo Dunch and others who watch the chicken roost as that is the interest they have there.

how much does gasoline cost for driving at high speed forty trips a day does the expense come of the tax payers how can a woman run a business and ride around with one damned old stiff who is in the bone yard and the other one should be there tell the tax paye and voters how the money is spent we put you in office when this click wanted hamilton we will see who is in office next pop

voters
taxpayers

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April 23, 1930

Mrs. Irene Jones,
125 Harrison Street,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

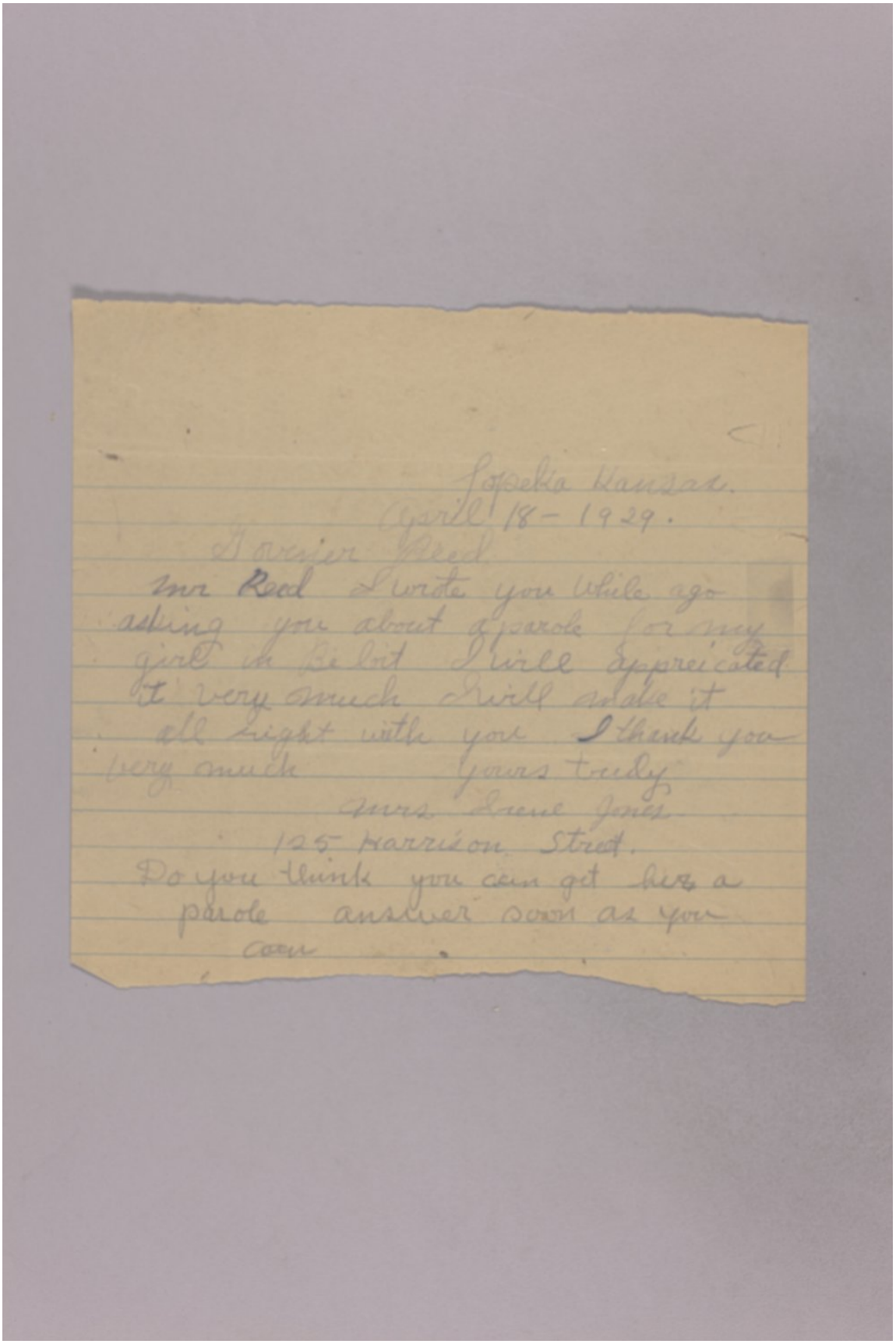
Your letter of April 18th written to Governor Reed asking for a parole for your daughter at Beloit has been referred to me for answer.

The Governor has no power to parole persons from the Girls' School at Beloit. You will have to take this matter up with Miss Coyner, the superintendent of that school who has charge of the girls there and who is in better position to say what should be done for these girls than any of the officers of the state.

Very truly yours,

Parole Attorney.

ASF:a



Topeka Kansas.
April 18 - 1929.

Governor Reed

Mr Reed I write you while ago asking you about parole for my girl in Beloit I will appreciated it very much if will make it all right with you I thank you very much Yours truly

Mrs. Irene Jones.
125 Harrison Street.

Do you think you can get her a parole answer soon as you can