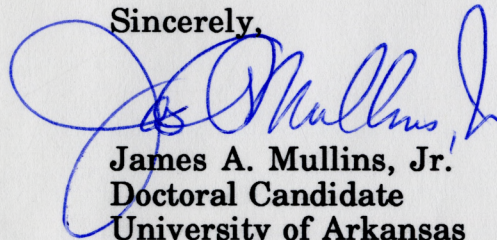


Richard Allen for advice. It was he who suggested this letter as a means to hopefully communicate to you both a little of who I am and a little about this project.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Richard, and to congratulate you on having such a person in your service. It has been my pleasure to have known Richard for over two years. I have worked on projects with him and have had the privilege of sharing the reflection of his courage, depth, and wisdom. It is, in my opinion, people like Richard who will eventually correct the white world's unfortunate misapprehension of Indian people.

It is, surely, my hope that you see some potential benefit from this project. Naturally, I am looking forward to your response, and am ready to provide any further detail for you or anyone you choose. I hope this letter has found you well and strong.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James A. Mullins, Jr.", with a large, stylized flourish on the left side.

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