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Dear Jack,

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I recently received from Dr. James A. Hagans, denying my request for an exception to the regulations regarding 5/8 to full time for sponsors of V.A. collaborative studies. I have notified the other VAA. physicians who have indicated an interest in participating in the study of the letter and suggested, as did Dr. Hagans, that if one of them is interested, he should carry on.

At the recent meeting of the V.A. Behavioral Sciences Committee, I had the occasion to talk to Dr. Hayes about the letter, and she endorsed its conclusions.

Thank you for your advice. My regards.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.  
Professor of Psychiatry

P.S. From time to time, positions open up at the V.A. in direct association with schools of medicine. Perhaps the problem could be solved by such an appointment. If you hear of any openings, let me know.