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Dr. Lowell Bellin
Director of Public Health
Springfield, Massachusetts

Dear Dr. Bellin:

Dr. Gerald M. Abraham, now of Tel Mond, Israel, and formerly house physician at the Chronic Diseases Hospital in Springfield, has applied to the Institute for residency training in psychiatry, preparatory to a career in the treatment of the severe mentally ill. He has suggested we inquire of you regarding his qualifications.

We would be grateful if you would share with us your recollections regarding Dr. Abraham's ability as a physician, his intellectual ability and capacity to undertake a new career, and his personality as related to his patients and co-workers.

I have just met Dr. Abraham and found him pleasant, friendly and sincere. His wife appears devoted. His reasons for turning to psychiatry are unclear, and your recommendations will be of help in judging his application.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M. D.
Director

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