

Ref. - R. Meinert

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Rev. Felix Biestek, S.J.
Director of Fieldwork
School of Social Work
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Chicago, Illinois

Dear Father Biestek:

Mr. Roland G. Meinert of Tampa has applied for position as research social worker at this Institute, and has submitted your name as reference.

This Institute is a newly created research and training center of the Division of Mental Diseases of Missouri. We have recently developed study programs in the treatment of the chronic mentally ill, especially those whom we call "therapy resistant psychosis". In the program, we are anxious to have the participation of a social worker who has an interest in visiting the homes of our patients and providing the staff with some information regarding the social conditions which may contribute to prolonged hospitalization.

I would be grateful for any information that you may give me regarding Mr. Meinert's capacities to undertake independent research in the area outlined above, his flexibility and possibly, interest in carrying out the kinds of visits required by this program, and any suggestions regarding his personality and his ability to get along with his co-workers.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.
Director

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