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Dr. Paul Blachly
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Dear Paul,

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of the proposed symposium at the forthcoming APA meeting. I hope that the Program Committee will welcome this suggestion and I look forward to participating.

It has been almost eight years since I participated in a study of convulsive therapy, but your suggestions for MMECT and the enthusiasm for unilateral ECT has stimulated me to undertake another ECT study project. In my present facilities at Metropolitan Hospital, the number of cases treated with ECT are quite few and I have sought the cooperation of Dr. Lothar Kalinowsky to study cases at one of New York's largest treatment centers. Gracie Square Hospital is well known as a center for ECT.

We would like to obtain some support from the National Institute of Mental Health and in doing so I would like to be able to call upon you and Dr. Kaelbling as consultants. As the originator of MMECT, I know of no-one more qualified to advise us in the most satisfactory method applying this technique.

May I have your permission to include your name among the consultants for the study "Theoretical Clinical Studies of Convulsive Therapy?"

Many thanks. My best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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