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Portland, Oregon, Dec. 15th, 1899.

Judge John E. McBride,
Ziegler Block,
Spokane, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 12th inst. has been received relative to the validity of the transfer by the Wardner Mining Company and the Inez Mining Company of all their property situated in the county of Shoshone, Idaho.

I have made some investigation at the request of F.W. Bradley, the President of the Bunker Hill & Sullivan M. & C. Co., in relation to this matter, but have not sufficient information to determine whether there be a cause of suit or whether anything can be accomplished by bringing suit, although I have no doubt that the sale was fraudulent and could be set aside.

Mr. D.F. Sherman, of Portland, was a stockholder and I have talked with him several times about this matter. Mr. Sherman's office is in the Chamber of Commerce Building in which my office is situated, but he went east over a month ago and will not return for several weeks yet. I have no objection to your writing to Mr. Sherman for any information, or to furnishing you any information in relation to the matter. I made this investigation for Mr. Bradley as attorney for the Bunker Hill &

Sullivan M. & C. Co., and you are of course entitled to all of this information as attorney for that company.

Very truly yours,

Frederick V. Halman.