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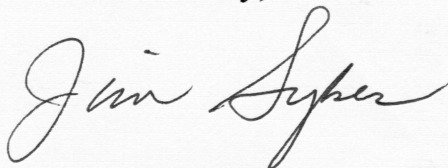
Dear Mr. Schneider,

This letter is in regards to the radio series "Holding Our Ground" which I hope that UAF has acquired either in their regular collection or in your archives. The material mostly came from the hearings of the Alaska Native Review Commission in 1984 and 1985. The original tapes are archived there.

The radio programs were broadcast in all parts of Alaska during the fall of 1985 and winter of 1986. They were also broadcast Outside, and slightly more than half of them aired on Radio for Peace International shortwave broadcast from Costa Rica in about 1992. They received the Silver Gavel Award from the American Bar Association for explaining complex legal issues to the general public. They also received an Alaska Press Club Award. In my estimation, the programs contain compelling personal testimony about cultural conflict and adaptation that is rarely heard anywhere.

The programs may be duplicated for educational purposes, but not commercial purposes. No royalties are required. They were produced to provide public information and they should continue that way. Western Media Concepts will be moving and its future is uncertain. Please contact me at 278-7436 for further information about the Alaska Native Review Commission tapes or "Holding Our Ground". The series was funded, in part, by the Alaska Humanities Forum. Thank you for your interest.

Most sincerely,



Jim Sykes, Producer