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bcc: Mr. Ian Kennedy, Mr. Christophe Janet

March 15, 1983

Professor Geraldine E. Fowle College of Arts and Sciences Department of Art and Art History University of Missouri Kansas City, Missouri 64110-2499

Dear Professor Fowle:

Ian Kennedy, being his usual helpful self, has kindly forwarded to me your letter of March 2 because I bought that beautiful painting of Moses Striking the Rock by Sebastian Bourdon.

Usually, I buy Dutch 17th century paintings, but this is so beautiful that I couldn't resist it. You probably know that the photograph in the Christie's catalog inadvertently cut off an inch or two at the bottom of the painting. It is now with my friend, Mr. Christophe Janet, 58 East 79th Street, New York, New York.

As you are working on Bourdon, I enclose a photograph of a painting owned by local collectors which, I believe, is very close to Bourdon. At the turn of the century, this painting was owned by The Metropolitan Museum. It had been part of the Marchant gift and attributed to Franz Hals, which it certainly is not. If you would like to correspond with the collectors, they are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bishop at 5165 South Mallard Circle, Greenfield, Wisconsin 53221.

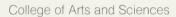
I much look forward to speaking on baroque paintings at your university on Thursday, October 20, and it would give me great pleasure if I could meet you personally then.

Best regards,

Alfred Bader

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March 2, 1983

Mr. Ian G. Kennedy Department of Old Master Paintings Christie, Manson and Woods International, Inc. 502 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022 - 1199

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

I am interested in obtaining information about the oil painting Sébastien Bourdon, Moses Striking Water from the Rock, which was sold at Christie's, New York, on March 18, 1983, lot 68.

I am preparing a monograph on Bourdon, and need information about this picture in order to complete the catalogue. Would it be possible for you to give me the purchaser's name and address? If not, perhaps you would be kind enough to ask him to get in touch with me.

I very much appreciate any help that you can give me.

Sincerely yours,

Geraldine E. Fowle

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Associate Professor, Art History

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March 7, 1983

Dr. Alfred Bader 2961 N. Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53211

Dear Dr. Bader:

We received the enclosed letter from the University of Missouri regarding the Sebastian Bourdon painting you purchased in our January 18th sale.

We would be grateful for any assistance you could give her.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Beth Smalley Old Master Paintings

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