

May 29, 1941

Dr. Jacob S. Druckman
1048 Temple St.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Doctor Druckman:

Doctor Simmel handed us your letter of May 16 making application for consideration as a candidate. I am enclosing a blank which we ask all candidates to fill in and return to us in duplicate, with at least one photograph.

I may tell you at this time that there is a plan on foot to postpone the acceptance of candidates as such until after they have had an analysis; in other words, to consider a training analysis a prerequisite to becoming a candidate. This will not affect you in any way except that you ~~can~~ begin your training analysis without having been formally approved as a candidate. I think, however, you will have some difficulty in having a training analysis in Los Angeles because Doctors Simmel and Fenichel, the only two qualified training analysts, are both very busy. You may have to come East.

In regard to your psychiatric residency, I think we would be inclined to advise you to get some additional institutional work, not only because your period is a little short of the required 12 months, but because we do not believe the institutions at which you worked are approved for resident training by the American Medical Association. Perhaps you can give me some assurance on this point.

Sincerely yours,

Karl A. Menninger, M.D., Secretary,
TRAINING COMMITTEE.

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