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Dear Brian:

It's been several years since we last talked. However, I remain a loyal viewer of all three channels, the last a recent addition on the digital tier of my Time Warner service. You can get a clearer picture of who I am by the following: we met while you were with Clay Whitehead at OTP and I am featured in the book <u>C-SPAN</u>: America's Town Hall (see p. also with a picture).

C-SPAN is frequently promoted as the cable industry's gift to the American public. I would certainly agree. In some small way, I would like to try to give back to C-SPAN some of what it has meant to me, that is, if the following proposal has some merit. I am completing a manuscript on the NAB career of former Florida governor LeRoy Collins. If publishable, I would like to donate 100% of the proceeds, unrestricted, to C-SPAN. In return, I would only ask that you consider publishing it under your imprimatur or through a publisher that you designate.

The Collins era was tumultuous, to say the least. I recently wrote a column that appeared in The Tampa Tribune that can give you some background. I have completed several chapters and can provide a draft if you wish to pursue this matter further. Of course, I understand that this type of venture may not be a part of your activities.

Let me know what you think.

Best,

Professor (ret.)