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Mr. George Fazio
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Dear Mr. Fazio:

I write to you to obtain preliminary information with regard to the architecture of a public golf course being planned in Ridgefield, Connecticut. As chairman of the committee to construct an 18 hole golf course I should like to bring to your attention the following facts:

1. We presently own 145 acres of gently rolling land with an ample water supply.
2. Before purchasing this land approximately two years ago, it had received the favorable recommendations from Al Radko, the USGA Green Section, Alfred Tull and Ed Ryder, golf course architects in our area and our committee held a meeting with Harry Eckhoff who also inspected the site, from the National Golf Foundation.
3. Since purchasing the land we have not made overtures to anyone golf course architect and you are the first and only one we are contacting at the present.
4. The Town of Ridgefield has not approved any funds for financing this project.
5. Our intentions are to submit a design and plans to our town government - which has given us enthusiastic approval - for revenue bond financing once we are able to submit estimated costs.

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Therefore, we are contacting you in the hopes we could perhaps meet with you on a preliminary basis, allow you to observe the site and advise us as to any fees we would incur. It is our hope that such a meeting could take place in August.

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Don Brooks

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P.S. One of our committee members, Judge Reed Shields plays frequently at Tequesta and you may have read an article which I wrote in the June issue of the USGA Journal about photographing the Open. I read with interest your comments about the architecture at Merion. As a former employee of the USGA I was quite interested in what you had to say.