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My dear Mr. North

This is a rather difficult note to write. Denise has just received the news that 'the check is in the mail'.

Oddly, our emotions are mixed. Bitter-sweet, if you can understand that. I do not - just yet.

It is with sincere gratitude we thank you for your negotiating tenacity. 'I'd never want to be on the 'other' side of the table.' The award was so much more than either Denise nor I anticipated.

Also, thank you for your kindness and patience with me. My emotions run wild in stressful situations. I become numb. So thank you for being such a calming

influence. You're a good man,
Steven!

Well, enough. Thankfully
you have other cases to attend
to. Enclosed are my (our)
'thank you's' to your staff.
Rather than pick up a fancy
pen for you, I think ~~of~~ a
man of your integrity and
heart will prefer seeing
yet another smile on your
employee's faces. I hope I
am right.

Good health and wishes
to you and your family -

Sincerely and respectfully,
Sally [REDACTED]
(Doris, too)

P.S. My highest compliment
would be to ^{recommend} you
to another in need. S. S.