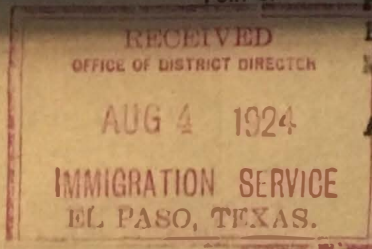


IN ANSWERING REFER TO

No.

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Patrol Inspector in Charge
Big Bend sub-district,
Marfa, Texas.

August 1, 1924.

District Director,
Immigration Service,
El Paso, Texas.

It is respectfully requested that letter of authority be issued, and lease for one year, beginning August 1, 1924, and terminating June 30, 1925, be prepared between this Service and Mr. J. E. Wilson, Marfa, Texas, for the rental at \$10.00 per month of the two room adobe house, owned by the above named person, for office quarters of the Border Patrol, Big Bend sub-district, Marfa, Texas. This house is situated on the North side of the street that parallels the Southern Pacific Railroad tracks, fronting on the street, it is one block and a half from the main street of the town, and adjoins the house occupied by the Deputy Collector of Customs and used by him as an office, It is two blocks from the County Court House and two blocks from the railroad depot and two blocks from the Postoffice. The streets in this town are not named, nor are the houses numbered.

Referring to our conversation of the 26th ultimo, relative to renting the above mentioned office quarters, you are respectfully advised that I began using this house on the 1st instant, one of the rooms as a storage place for emergency gasoline and oil, extra tires etc., and the front room for my extra supply of office supplies. This on account of the fact that the place was about to be rented to another party, and I don't know of another place in town that I could get that is so well adapted to the needs of this Service here.

Of necessity, I am still doing my office work at home as I have no furniture whatever for the office, of which you are aware. I would appreciate it very much if in some way you could rush the receipt of a typewriter desk, a chair and a filing cabinet. For the rest of the office furniture I have requested, I could wait.

John F. Harn,
Patrol Inspector in Charge.