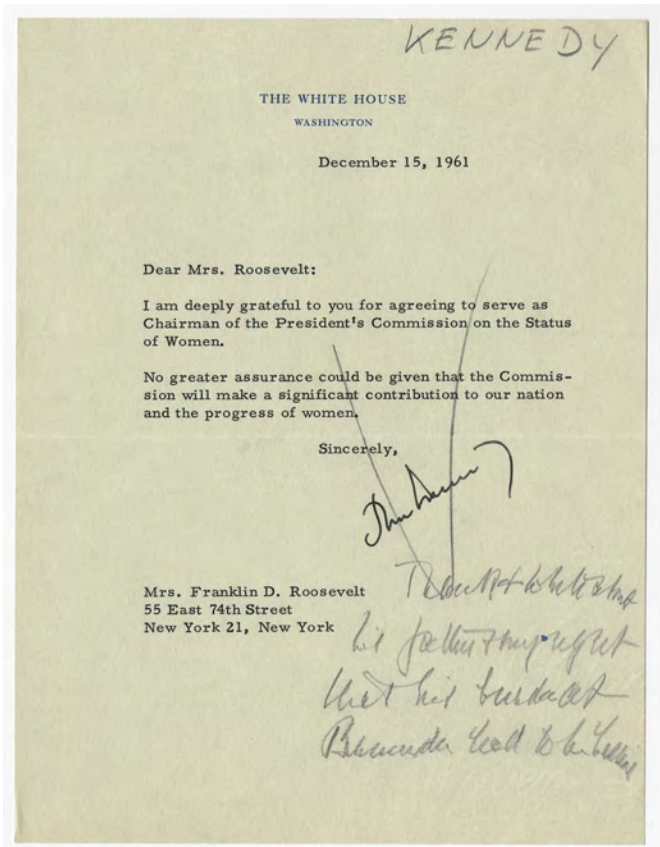


Letter, John F. Kennedy to Eleanor Roosevelt, December 15, 1961. In this letter, President Kennedy thanks Mrs. Roosevelt for agreeing to chair the President's Commission on the Status of Women. ER's handwritten note instructs her secretary to draft a response thanking JFK and expressing regret about his father's recent stroke - which took place while the President was meeting with Britain's Prime Minister in Bermuda. JFK's father, Joseph P. Kennedy, served in the Roosevelt administration.



KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 15, 1961

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

I am deeply grateful to you for agreeing to serve as Chairman of the President's Commission on the Status of Women.

No greater assurance could be given that the Commission will make a significant contribution to our nation and the progress of women.

Sincerely,

John F. Kennedy

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
55 East 74th Street
New York 21, New York

Doc not to be sent to her father & my regret that his stroke at Bermuda had to be...