

CONGRATULATING LETTER

Ronald L. Bagley

Dear Michele,

It is a pleasure to honor you on your 80th birthday. Over the years your insightful scholarly work intrigued me and inspired me to push harder on my own research with Professor Pete Torvik in Ohio. I first read your papers in 1976. The ideas you put forward formed a solid foundation for my PhD dissertation. For this I will always be grateful.

When I had the privilege of meeting you in the late 80's, it was a real pleasure to see the human being behind these beautiful ideas. I remember those long conversations we had in Dayton Ohio and how they changed my view of the fractional calculus. My words fall short of expressing the intellectual debt that we in the fractional calculus community owe to you for your positive influence on our professional lives.

The world is a better and brighter place because of you. Congratulations on your 80th.

With all my very best,

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