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Rob Schultz
1008 East Capitol St., N.E.
Washington, DC 20003

May 28, 1997

Terry Edmonds
Special Assistant to the President
and Presidential Speechwriter
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Terry:

I am writing to express an interest in applying for a research position with the President's speechwriting staff.

For the past several years, I have been a political researcher and advocacy writer on Capitol Hill and in Democratic campaigns. And I believe that my experience, especially my most recent work for Senator Heflin, demonstrates that I have strong research and writing skills, as well as a solid knowledge of the government. My background includes writing major policy statements, drafting campaign reports, analyzing votes, conducting interviews, and handling on-site investigations.

In Senator Heflin's office, my job was to prepare a book on the Senator's career for permanent display at a number of universities in Alabama. This book has two parts. The first is a series of Congressional Record statements to expose his most significant accomplishments, motivations, and philosophies. Pleased with these speeches, Senator Heflin asked me to create an oral history, which became the second section of the book. For this assignment, I interviewed civil rights leaders, farm policy experts, NASA officials, and military scientists in Alabama and in Washington.

To gain the experience I needed to join Senator Heflin's staff, I worked in Senator Riegle's office, where I handled his archiving. I also spent nearly two years as an associate at a campaign consulting firm, TH Inc. Research & Consulting, with clients across the country. At TH Inc., I was responsible for researching all the relevant issues for several campaigns, and for developing potential campaign themes.

I have taken the liberty of including a writing sample, the first speech I wrote for Senator Heflin. This was one of a few speeches I was assigned in addition to my other duties.

Thank you very much for your attention to this letter. I can be reached at (202) 544-6513.

Sincerely,



Rob Schultz
Enclosures

Rob Schultz
1008 East Capitol St., N.E.
Washington, DC 20003
(202) 544-6513

**WORK
EXPERIENCE**

U.S. Senate, Office of Senator Howell T. Heflin (D-AL)

Legislative Aide: 1996-1997

Worked directly with the Senator to write a narrative account of his legislative record, printed in the Congressional Record as a series of speeches on agriculture, civil rights, court reform, defense, and the space program; created an oral history of the Senator's career for permanent display at the major universities in Alabama; wrote other floor statements.

TH Inc., Research & Consulting

Associate: 1994-1995

Managed comprehensive research contracts for local, state, and Federal candidates and office-holders; wrote advocacy reports; worked on-site with the campaigns; hired, trained, and supervised clerks and junior associates.

U.S. Senate, Office of Senator Donald W. Riegle, Jr. (D-MI)

Staff Assistant: 1994-1995

Directed the archiving of files for shipment to the University of Michigan; prepared sections of the retiring Senator's legislative record.

Intern: 1993-1994

Wrote sections of the Senator's record; collected and researched files.

Dickinson College Book Store

Clerk: 1991-1992

Worked part time.

EDUCATION

Dickinson College at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 1993

B.A.: English

National Merit Scholar

COMPUTERS

WordPerfect for DOS and Windows; Microsoft Word; DataTimes; Congressional Quarterly; Lexis Nexis

References Available Upon Request

Until 2000: Alan Greenspan
By Senator Howell Heflin, D-Ala.

Although I have not always been completely agreeable with Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan's policies, I think that, generally, he has struck the proper balance in monetary policy in order to stabilize prices and encourage short-term growth. In fact, combined with the President's deficit reduction program, Chairman Greenspan's policies helped the nation out of its last recession.

When we consider this nomination, we must realize that the most relevant indicator of Chairman Greenspan's accomplishment is the success of the economy. Because of the number of factors and variables involved in economic theory, we can stand and debate individual arguments almost endlessly. However, we cannot ignore the fact that the economy has exploded, while inflation has stabilized at its lowest rate in more than a decade. In fact, the combined unemployment and inflation rate is lower than it has been since 1968. This did not occur without leadership, and Chairman Greenspan and President Clinton deserve our applause.

One of the reasons for economic improvement is the recent deficit reduction package. The deficit is an issue I have taken very seriously over the years. When I came to the Senate, the first bill I introduced was a Constitutional Balanced Budget Amendment, and I have supported it ever since. Indeed, I believe that addressing the deficit, and other fiscal problems, is the only way to cure the nation's economy in the long-term.

Although I had reservations, and frankly I believe we can and should do more in the area of deficit reduction, I supported the President's 1993 budget package. This measure is among the most important fiscal steps the Congress has taken in the past decade. In fact, to use Chairman Greenspan's words, this reduction was "an unquestioned factor in contributing to the improvement in economic activity that occurred thereafter."

This improvement resulted in the creation of 9.7 million new jobs, the vast majority of which are in the private sector. The last few years have seen more construction job growth than any period since the early fifties, and more auto job growth than any period since the early sixties. Further, the unemployment rate has dropped to 5.6 percent – far less than the rate during the early eighties. It is a testament to the importance of a declining annual deficit and movement towards a balanced budget.

However, due to the complexity of our economy, I do not believe that the President's deficit reduction package alone caused all of these improvements. According to prevailing economic theory, monetary policy is a more potent factor in the short-term growth of employment and gross domestic product than fiscal policy. Therefore Alan Greenspan does deserve a certain amount of recognition for his recession policies. Maybe it is a credit to Chairman Greenspan, however, that he has shown restraint; he has not failed to appreciate the consequences of easing his monetary policy.

When the Federal Reserve Board decides to embrace an expansive policy, the economy will grow for a while. However, a greater supply of money leads to a lesser demand, or inflation. In the long-term, improvements are countered by higher costs and prices, and the economy will again equalize at a reduced level, with higher inflation. In this way, the end result is a negation of the apparent gain. Therefore, monetary policy must strike the proper balance between expansion and tightening. I think Alan Greenspan has always appreciated the importance of this fundamental concept, and he has acted cautiously to enact such a balance.

When the country fell into a recession in 1990, Chairman Greenspan engineered a response to the crisis by initiating a series of interest rate cuts from late 1990 to late 1991, keeping rates low through 1993. Under his direction, the Fed cut the discount rate in half; this was the lowest rate since 1962. In fact, "real" short-term interest rates were near zero.

Chairman Greenspan said these reductions were necessary to spur economic growth, and growth did follow. His judgment has thus far been sound.

However, Mr. Greenspan rightly believes that the Federal Reserve's most important goal is price-stability. It is perhaps this fact which has most fueled his critics.

The harshest criticism Chairman Greenspan has endured came in 1994, when he raised interest rates seven times. Politicians and financial markets concerned about continuing growth argued that Greenspan was an alarmist. Critics maintained that the boon had been insufficient to cause any serious inflation.

Even if we disagree, I think we must admit that his precautions have proved reasonable. Although economic growth has slowed, Chairman Greenspan has managed to stabilize inflation at its lowest rate in more than a decade. He has also lowered interest rates again to adjust for this slowed economic growth.

I would like to add that I do understand some of my colleagues' reservations about Greenspan's tight monetary policy. High interest rates have been a difficult obstacle to many Americans – individuals and businesses. In fact, they are closely tied to the nation's housing markets. They therefore affect homeowners, and they can damage financial institutions, particularly savings & loans. They have severely hurt such large business as Chrysler and Lockheed, and notably, they can have a terrible effect on small entrepreneurs, especially farmers, for whom I have a particular concern.

However, I think it is always important to keep things in perspective.

We might understand Mr. Greenspan's record better if we consider his predecessor's efforts to reduce a staggering inflation during the early 1980s. Success came after the imposition of seriously unpopular, tight monetary policy – a policy which concerned me greatly.

When Paul Volcker took control of the Board in 1979, he convinced the Federal Open Market Committee to emphasize control of the money supply's growth, and to pay less attention to interest rates. Although he was ultimately successful in bringing down inflation, his policy, in part, caused interest rates to pass 20 percent in 1981. That was quite a cost. It hurt homeowners and businesses across the country.

In fact, I became particularly concerned about the effects of these rates on farmers, many of whom were devastated by the overhead of high-interest loans. I fought to re-schedule farm loans especially to ameliorate the pains suffered by small, family farmers.

But at the time, I said that the Fed should not be condemned in its policy, it should be assisted by the Administration and Congress alike in seeking equitable remedies to fight inflation. Inflationary controls are, after all, the Fed's most important concern. Instead of reactivity, I believed the Congress had to emphasize tax incentives, and most important, work to balance its budget.

This idea has not changed in fifteen years, I still believe that we must not be reactive. We must also remember Chairman Greenspan's tenure has been much less intense than Volcker's. Rather than raging total war on inflation, he has only had to act preventatively. The country is doing well, and we should not condemn the Fed – nor the man – now as we should not have condemned them then.

Instead, the Congress must work to resolve its own fiscal dilemmas. As I have always believed, we, and those who follow, must work towards an enactment of sound policies that include, perhaps foremost, spending within our limits.

Further, it absolutely should be considered that, although it is independent of the Congress and the President, Greenspan does not dictate absolutely over the Fed. Instead, he must achieve a consensus at the Federal Open Market Committee votes. In this regard, he has been called a "genius;" almost every vote during his Chairmanship has been unanimous. Apparently Greenspan's colleagues also consider his judgment sound.

I believe that we should recognize Chairman Greenspan's successes and acknowledge that he has done some good things for the American economy. His efforts contributed to an enormous recovery, and he kept inflation down during the rebound, as is his most important goal.

Much to his credit, I think President Clinton recognized Chairman Greenspan's qualities, and I think he had some good reasons to nominate him to another term. Perhaps the President's wisdom has once again led him to understand the moderation is the route to sound policy. He did not shy away from selecting a man lauded by Presidents Bush and Reagan when he believed it was the right thing to do.



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THANKS TO STAFF

SENATOR HOWELL HEFLIN

Mr. HEFLIN. On the last day the Senate was in session, October 4, I stood on the floor and briefly thanked my staff members for all their hard work over the years. At that time, I had a list of their names, hometowns, and date of joining our staff inserted into the Congressional Record. I also said that later, I would make additional comments about each of those.

As I said, it is easy to take staff for granted. Much of what they do is carried out in such a way that we might not be aware always of what they are doing. But they put in long hours just like we do. They are dedicated not only to us, but to the states we serve. My staff has helped thousands of Alabamians and other citizens with problems, questions, projects, and other general concerns.

I have been fortunate to have many long-time staff members who have been with me for many years, some since my first year in the Senate. Others have not been here as long, but have still made valuable contributions. Most have come from Alabama or had some connection to the state, such as being an alumnus of a university there, but others have come from the Washington area or other parts of the east coast.

I am proud of my staff, both here in Washington and in the four state offices. They have done an outstanding job for the Senate, for the State of Alabama, and for the nation and I thank all of them and wish them well as they retire or move on to new career opportunities. I would now like to say a few words about each of those who are still serving with us during these final weeks of my term.

ROBERT SCHULTZ

Rob Schultz has been an outstanding recent addition to my staff in Washington. A Pennsylvania native and graduate of Dickinson College in Carlisle, Rob was brought on board earlier this year to handle the important task of compiling and summarizing my 18-year Senate legislative record. He completed a similar project for former Senator Don Riegle of Michigan in 1993 and 94. Since he has been here, he has compiled my record in certain policy areas, such as defense and foreign policy, agriculture, court reform and judiciary, civil rights, and space exploration and NASA. Rob has done an incredible job under severe time constraints, and we could not have succeeded without him.

To: Terry Edmonds
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Date: June 17, 1997
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THANKS FOR THINKING OF ME!!!!!!

From the desk of...

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Congressman Elijah E. Cummings
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DEIDRA NOEL BISHOP

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT:**Chief of Staff**

1996 to present

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE ELIJAH E. CUMMINGS

Serve as primary confidential advisor to the Congressman on operational and legislative matters. Personally manage and supervise Capitol Hill and district office staff. Responsible for congressional office budget, expenditures, and comprehensive administrative oversight.

Executive Assistant to the Special Secretary

1995 to 1996

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

Served as primary staff assistant to the Subcabinet for Children, Youth and Families. Acted as liaison with Subcabinet agencies including the Departments of Human Resources, Health & Mental Hygiene, and Education. Assisted the Special Secretary with legislative and budgetary issues. Provided advice and technical assistance to the Special Secretary in implementing Subcabinet recommendations. Provided administrative oversight for agency operations.

Program Development Specialist

1994 to 1995

BALTIMORE CITY OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT

Provided research and analysis in the development of long and short range plans for existing programs and operational planning. Wrote grant proposals appropriate to the agency's mission and developed program models for the new agency initiatives.

Co-wrote the \$3.1 million Youth Fair Chance grant proposal awarded in July, 1994 by the U.S. Department of Labor to the Baltimore City Office of Employment Development. Co-wrote the \$500,000 Urban/Rural School-to-Work Opportunities grant proposal awarded in December, 1994 by the U.S. Departments of Education and Labor to the Baltimore City Office of Employment Development.

Manager, FUTURES Program

1989 to 1993

BALTIMORE CITY OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT

Co-directed the strategic development, design and implementation of a \$2 million dropout prevention program operating in conjunction with Baltimore City Public Schools. Trained and motivated a team of seven on-site managers and their staffs who were directly responsible for recruiting and servicing at-risk students.

Key player in the dramatic expansion of the program from only 15 staff and approximately 60 students to more than 40 staff and over 1500 students. Designed and directed a series of innovative programs (e.g., remedial education, cultural enrichment, vocational training, computer skills training, collegiate exposure) designed to motivate, encourage and further support the educational aspirations of these students. Responsible for event/program planning, budgeting, logistics, marketing and execution.

DEIDRA NOEL BISHOP**Page 2****PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT (Continued):****Program Manager****1988****MARYLAND COMMITTEE FOR UNICEF**

Directed all UNICEF operations throughout the State of Maryland including educational programming, fundraising, volunteer recruitment/training, staffing, media affairs, budgeting, administrative affairs, and an on-site retail operation.

Totally revitalized the entire marketing, media and public relations campaign to heighten the visibility of the organization throughout the State. Designed and directed a series of successful educational programs throughout various communities to encourage the participation of students, educators, residents and business professionals. Orchestrated cooperative fundraising programs in conjunction with other non-profit and service organizations. Achieved a significant increase in number of volunteers and annual donations (individual and corporate).

Associate Campaign Manager**1985 to 1987****UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL MARYLAND**

Multi-faceted campaign management position with one of the largest and most active fundraising organizations in the State. Assisted with the development of campaign strategies, plans, programs and budgets in addition to coordinating an aggressive volunteer recruitment, orientation and training program.

Personally managed private sector fundraising campaigns totaling \$6.5 million. Served as fundraising director for the 1985 Maryland State Government Campaign and the 1986 Baltimore City Government Campaign (combined contributions of \$2+ million). Held concurrent responsibility for the recruitment, training and support of more than 100 business executives participating as volunteer account managers in the Loaned Executive Program. Wrote direct mail solicitations, campaign plans, promotions and other solicitations.

Congressional Assistant**1980 to 1985****U.S. REPRESENTATIVE PARREN J. MITCHELL**

Direct liaison between the Congressman, his constituents and government agencies (e.g., City, County, State, Federal), with a particular emphasis on military, immigration, Workers' Compensation, Social Security and public housing matters. Acted as a constituent advocate responsible for research, eligibility determination and the timely receipt of all benefits. Represented the Congressman at business meetings and before various community groups.

Administrative Accounts Specialist**1977 to 1978****IBM CORPORATION/GENERAL SYSTEMS DIVISION**

Direct liaison between major customer accounts (e.g. Westinghouse, Proctor & Gamble, Blue Cross Blue Shield), sales/marketing teams and in-house engineering teams to facilitate the design, development, and delivery of customized computer systems to meet unique applications requirements. Prepared and processed order entry information, legal documentation and customer records.

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Arts Degree/Summa Cum Laude, MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, Baltimore, Maryland, 1977
Major in French/Minor in Political Science

Graduate, Friends School of Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, 1974

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WASHINGTON

Terry -

The best thing I
could ask from you is to keep
your eyes open for positions
that might suit me. Here is
an updated resume.

Thank you again.

~~Wayne~~

Wayne



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Terry,

I want to thank you for all the campaigning you've done on my behalf. Although it turned out that neither position went to me, I'm still really proud and grateful to have earned your recommendations. I'll take that as my success for now. Talk to you soon and Thanks

Again

Wayna

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EXPERIENCE

The White House - Office of Speechwriting (9/96 - present)

- Assistant to Presidential Speechwriter, Terry Edmonds (Internship).
- Promoted to Assistant to the Director of Speechwriting, Michael Waldman (Internship). Responsible for research and administrative assistance. Drafted brief remarks for the President.

Clinton Gore '96 Reelection Campaign - Office of Speechwriting (9/96 - 11/96)

- Wrote, edited and researched remarks for surrogate speakers.
- Assistant to Presidential Speechwriting Staff. Conducted research for Presidential remarks. Managed all administrative responsibilities.

Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Education at UMCP (7/93 - 5/96)

- Student Worker/Editor. Edited student essays, spoke at various student events and assisted in clerical responsibilities.

**EXTRA
CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES**

The Black Explosion Newspaper (1/95 - 2/96)

- Staff Writer and Editorial Columnist for leading UMCP bi-weekly magazine.
- Awarded Certificate for outstanding inspirational writing.

African Students Association (1/93 - 6/96).

- Elected and Served as 2nd Vice President in charge of Communication: Acted as campus and public liaison. Oversaw all Public Relations, including advertising and correspondence.

Student Government Association - Black Caucus, UMCP (Fall 95).

- Technical Writer for Black Caucus Subcommittee: Independently wrote and researched the assembly's trial Constitution. Presented proposal at annual Black Student Leadership Conference.

Student Government Association at UNCG (91-92).

- Served as Freshmen Delegate to the Student Congress.

NAACP, College Chapter at UNCG (91-92).

- Served as Chairperson of Political Action Committee: Organized nationally covered protest rally in response to King verdict.
- Awarded certificate for Outstanding Contribution.

**AWARDS/
HONORS**

17th Annual Miss Black Unity Scholarship Pageant UMCP (95).

- First Place Winner and Recipient of one year tuition scholarship.
- Awarded Honorary Plaque for Best Response to Q/A Competition.

Lifetime Achievement Award - African Students Association (5/96).

Role Model of the Month - The African Voice; September, 1996.

Certificate for Outstanding Academic Achievement - UNCG(92).

Certificate for Outstanding Speaker - Speech Competition, Dept. of Speech UNCG 92.

EDUCATION

B.A. University of Maryland at College Park 1996

English Language and Literature - Concentration: Language, Writing and Rhetoric

(Second Major) Speech Communication - Concentration: Rhetoric

Completed 27 hours in rhetorical training tailored toward Speechwriting

Certificate of Women's Studies (Expected 1997)

REFERENCES

Available upon request