

Withdrawal/Redaction Sheet

Clinton Library

DOCUMENT NO. AND TYPE	SUBJECT/TITLE	DATE	RESTRICTION
001a. letter	To Hillary Clinton from constituent re: health insurance (partial) (1 page)	10/26/93	b(6)
001b. letter	To constituent from Hillary Rodham Clinton re: health insurance (partial) (1 page)	12/21/93	b(6)

COLLECTION:

Clinton Presidential Records
First Lady's Office
Maggie Williams (Subject Files)
OA/Box Number: 4106

FOLDER TITLE:

Margaret a. Williams [Folder 5]

2013-0359-S

ry1423

RESTRICTION CODES

Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

P1 National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
P2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
P3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
P4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA]
P5 Release would disclose confidential advice between the President and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA]
P6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift.

PRM. Personal record misfile defined in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2201(3).

RR. Document will be reviewed upon request.

b(1) National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
b(2) Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
b(3) Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
b(4) Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
b(6) Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
b(7) Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
b(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
b(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

LAW OFFICES
SMITH, GILL, FISHER & BUTTS
A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

FACSIMILE NUMBERS:
MISSOURI (816) 301-7600
KANSAS (913) 339-9440

ONE KANSAS CITY PLACE
35TH FLOOR
1200 MAIN STREET
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64105-2152
(816) 474-7400

KANSAS OFFICE
SUITE 200
7300 COLLEGE BOULEVARD
OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS 66210-1670
(913) 339-6565

November 3, 1993

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20503

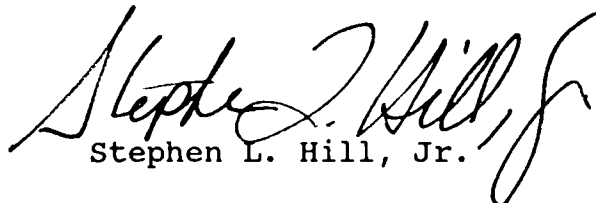
Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I attended your speech last Friday in Kansas City and thought it was one of the finest ones I have ever witnessed. I thought it was one of the most persuasive efforts in part because of the less than objective nature of the audience, particularly when you consider the Republican Senators had gone on for some time before you began. Most of the audience, and the country, needs to hear this speech and the one you gave concerning the insurance industry's cowardly advertising.

I most identified with your comments concerning the family friend who said she really didn't think about these issues until they hit close to home. During the campaign I followed the health care issues as closely as any staffer, but I really didn't relate to them on a personal level. Last spring my wife, Marianne, and I celebrated the birth of our second daughter, Taylor. During her first couple of weeks we spent a great deal of time at a local children's hospital. Although she is doing better now, we experienced the everyday health care concerns first-hand. We were fortunate because my wife's health insurance covered all of the expenses. I can't imagine how difficult it must be for those without insurance. Their only hope for the future is a successful reform effort led by you and the Clinton Administration. Please accept my heart-felt thanks and best wishes on your efforts to clean up the health care mess.

Again, congratulations on a fine job last Friday in Kansas City.

Sincerely yours,


Stephen L. Hill, Jr.

SLH/sm

10280233

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 21, 1993

Mr. Stephen Hill, Jr.
Smith, Gill, Fisher & Butts
One Kansas City Place
1200 Main Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64105

Dear Mr. Hill:

Thank you for your letter of support for the President's Health Security Act. I also appreciate your kind words about my speech given in October in Kansas City.

Many of us do not understand fully the extent to which our nation needs health care reform until we experience first-hand the inefficiencies of our current system. At the present time, 37 million Americans are without health care. Unless we change the current system, one in four Americans will lose health care coverage at some point over the next two years. Ever-increasing health care costs will continue to threaten our families and businesses. The President's Health Security Act will give Americans the peace of mind they deserve and help secure a better future for our children and grandchildren.

We, as a nation, have before us an historic opportunity to reform our health care system, to make the system work for all Americans. However, for reform to work, everyone must take responsibility for being part of the solution. Your continued support is invaluable as the President and his Administration work toward meaningful and lasting change in our health care system. I thank you again for your support.

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

Withdrawal/Redaction Marker

Clinton Library

DOCUMENT NO. AND TYPE	SUBJECT/TITLE	DATE	RESTRICTION
001a. letter	To Hillary Clinton from constituent re: health insurance (partial) (1 page)	10/26/93	b(6)

COLLECTION:

Clinton Presidential Records
First Lady's Office
Maggie Williams (Subject Files)
OA/Box Number: 4106

FOLDER TITLE:

Margaret a. Williams [Folder 5]

2013-0359-S

ry1423

RESTRICTION CODES

Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

P1 National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
P2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
P3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
P4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA]
P5 Release would disclose confidential advice between the President and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA]
P6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift.

PRM. Personal record misfile defined in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2201(3).

RR. Document will be reviewed upon request.

b(1) National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
b(2) Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
b(3) Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
b(4) Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
b(6) Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
b(7) Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
b(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
b(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

AIR CONDITIONING
&
HEATING

(b)(6)

[001a]

RESIDENTIAL
&
COMMERCIAL

P.O. BOX 17537
DALLAS, TX 75217
(214) 289-6246

10-26-93

Hillary Clinton
Washington, D.C

Mrs. Clinton, I am writing this letter due to health insurance, I wanted to express my support to You about your concern about health insurance

As You will notice from the letter head my husband and I are in the heating and air conditioning business a MOM and POP Co., not just because we really chose to be but it was forced because of the closing of the company my husband had worked for 32 years. We had to try making a living by what we knew how to do, neither are above working for our livelihood. When the job went so did the health insurance.

We are having a very hard time trying to buy health insurance due to our ages He is 57 years old I am 59 years old, we feel so discriminated against, even though we are willing to pay \$350.00 per month with a \$1,000.00 deductible, Insurance. Companies want to go back 10 years on any illness we have had. I am so tired and fed up at this point I just don't know what to do. We have never collected but 5 times on insurance policies in the 40 years would have been married between the both of us. Which would probably amount to less than \$20,000. for the both of us, but we are considered poor risk because of age.

Keep up the GOOD WORK please keep trying to get Insurance reform. I guess we could just give up and let the Government or State support us. Is that what insurance companies want? I was taught to work and support self because we are the government.

We Are Backing YOU

Thank You,

(b)(6)

Withdrawal/Redaction Marker

Clinton Library

DOCUMENT NO. AND TYPE	SUBJECT/TITLE	DATE	RESTRICTION
001b. letter	To constituent from Hillary Rodham Clinton re: health insurance (partial) (1 page)	12/21/93	b(6)

COLLECTION:

Clinton Presidential Records
First Lady's Office
Maggie Williams (Subject Files)
OA/Box Number: 4106

FOLDER TITLE:

Margaret a. Williams [Folder 5]

2013-0359-S
ry1423

RESTRICTION CODES

Presidential Records Act - [44 U.S.C. 2204(a)]

Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

P1 National Security Classified Information [(a)(1) of the PRA]
P2 Relating to the appointment to Federal office [(a)(2) of the PRA]
P3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(a)(3) of the PRA]
P4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential commercial or
financial information [(a)(4) of the PRA]
P5 Release would disclose confidential advice between the President
and his advisors, or between such advisors [(a)(5) of the PRA]
P6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of
personal privacy [(a)(6) of the PRA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed
of gift.

PRM. Personal record misfile defined in accordance with 44 U.S.C.
2201(3).

RR. Document will be reviewed upon request.

b(1) National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
b(2) Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of
an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
b(3) Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
b(4) Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial
information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
b(6) Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of
personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
b(7) Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement
purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
b(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of
financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
b(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information
concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1993

(b)(6)

[0016]

Dear (b)(6):

Thank you very much for your thoughtful and compelling letter. Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me.

The problem which you describe in attempting to obtain health care coverage presents a clear example of the need for changing our current health care system. The President's plan guarantees to every American a comprehensive package of benefits that can never be taken away.

After the Health Security Act becomes law, insurers will not be allowed to deny coverage on the basis of age, health or employment status, residence, or the health of family members. Specifically, the Act requires every health plan to accept all applicants regardless of health status, prohibits all pre-existing condition exclusions, guarantees that coverage cannot be dropped for any reason, and spreads risk broadly through the use of community rating.

In addition, once implemented, the Act will help small businesses like yours provide coverage for their employees by increasing their bargaining power through inclusion in Health Alliances which will negotiate premium rates.

Thank you again for writing. Your support is invaluable to the President as his Administration works toward meaningful and lasting change in our health care system.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

November 2, 1993

HER

Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

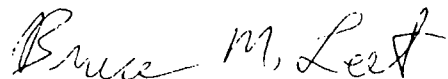
Dear Ms. Clinton:

Congratulations on your November 1 support of health care reform, especially your remarks addressing the selfish disservice of the insurance industry in the area of providing generally available health care insurance at a reasonable cost. The insurance industry clearly is one of the most avaricious players in the health "game" and is long overdue for some of the honest criticism you directed at it yesterday.

Don't back off from this criticism of the insurance industry in the future. Even if you were to do so in order to get the industry's support for a your reform efforts, you would lose credibility permanently and would hamper all your efforts in any future areas of interest. You also would disappoint many Americans who believe you are honest, mean what you say, and cannot be bought as nearly everyone in Congress can.

Your remarks yesterday were like a breath of fresh air, a reawakening of a spirit essential to the meaning of "American" but which has not been evident since the very early 1960's. Keep up the good work. Please.

Sincerely yours,



Bruce M. Leet
14500 Cartwright Way
Gaithersburg, MD 20878

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 20, 1993

Mr. Bruce Leet
14500 Cartwright Way
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878

Dear Mr. Leet:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter regarding health care reform. I appreciate your words of encouragement.

It is a tragedy that millions of Americans are without health care coverage either because they are unable to afford it or because they are denied adequate coverage from insurance agencies.

Thank you for sharing your views on this topic and for offering your encouragement. Your continued support will be invaluable as the Administration works to guarantee that all Americans have adequate health care coverage that can never be taken away.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

✓/e/love

Dear Mrs. Clinton :

For the last four years I have attended a high school in the Shawnee Mission School District. This district, being one of the wealthiest in the United States, receives many benefits from taxes, such as more qualified teachers, security guards, and a wide variety of classes. This attracts many students wanting to learn.

Yet now that I am attending college, I have started to realize how blind I was to what violence was around me. I could have purchased any drug of my choice for what ever purpose. Alcohol and cigarettes were as easy to get as a candy bar. All you had to do to get a gun was to purchase a backpack with it. The gun only cost as much as the caliber. So a twenty-two caliber cost twenty-two dollars plus the cost of the backpack. This scares me! I know that these sale systems not only existed in high school, but in middle school and in elementary school.

If I attend high school in a district that is well financed, and has the student wanting to achieve the goal of education, what is this situation like in a district of less financial standing with students who have the goal of survival

over the goal of higher education? What is it like to go to school in a place where you can't get rid of gangs just by enforcing a dress code? A district where children use guns to survive.

I know that you do not pretend, like many others, to be blind to the problems of the youth today, but I felt that if anyone could help stop the violence, you could. I felt you should see from the eyes of someone inside, even if the point of view is out of one of the wealthiest districts in the United States, because if the violence is bad here, some where else it is out of control.

Thank you for your time, I understand how busy you are.

Sincerely,

Miss. Kelli Lee Kramer

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1993

Miss Kelli Lee Kramer
Post Office Box 691
Graceland College
Lamoni, Iowa 50140

Dear Miss Kramer:

Thank you for your letter regarding violence in schools today. The President and I share your concerns about this issue.

The gun problem you describe in your letter is unfortunately prevalent throughout the country. Addressing the issue of violence in schools is vital to the welfare of children throughout the country.

President Clinton has submitted a comprehensive crime initiative that, if enacted, will be the major beginning of a long-term strategy to protect families against violent crime. The President is committed to passing a crime bill that will give Americans the freedom from fear that is essential to our children's security and prosperity. President Clinton can not accomplish this goal alone. We all must work together to prevent another generation of Americans from growing up in fear.

Thank you again for taking the time to share your concerns regarding violence in schools. The President is counting on your support as he works to address the complex issues facing our country today.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

TRUSTEES

Judge Burt W. Griffin
Co-Chairman
Louis Paisley
Co-Chairman
Daniel Hammer
President
Judge Ronald B. Adrine
Vice-President
Louis Paisley
Vice-President
John Chapman
Treasurer
Ralph Brody
Assistant Treasurer
Daryl L. Novak
Secretary
Carolyn W. Allen
Thomas J. Brady
James Coleman
Rosemary Downing
Martin L. Flask
Louis Frangos
Claire E. Freeman
Rev. Blanton Harper, Jr.
Judge Leodis Harris
Stephanie Tubbs-Jones
Kurt Karakul
Edward P. Kovacic
Thomas J. LaFond
Randy Orr
Sammie Campbell Parrish
Judge Kenneth A. Rocco
Norman Rushforth
Muqit A. Sabur
David L. Stashower
Seth C. Taft
Sam Thomas, III
Judge José A. Villanueva
David Whitaker
Carlyn Yanda
Marilyn Zigman

ADVISORY BOARD

Joseph T. Aveni
Richard J. Bogomolny
James Brawley
Judge Carl J. Character
Michael A. Clegg
Judge C. Ellen Connolly
John V. Culver
James A. Draper
Gerald L. Gherlein
John H. Gherlein
David M. Gleason
Thomas Greer
David G. Heiman
Dr. Scott R. Inkley
Robert C. Jackson
Marvin L. Karp
Allan C. Krulak
Fr. Michael J. Lavelle
John H. Lenear
John F. Lewis
Neal Malicky
Paul J. Massey
Anthony R. Michel
George N. Miller
Lizabeth A. Moody
Donald W. Morrison
Larry Nance
Robert Nece
Sterling Newell, Jr.
Mark O'Neill
Agnar Pytte
Albert B. Ratner
Edwin M. Robinson
Larry J. B. Robinson
Louis Schaul
Jay Seaton
Sr. Juanita Shealey CSJ
Helen K. Smith
Rolland F. Smith
Ward Smith
James R. Stover
John L. Strauch
David L. Swift
Donald P. Traci
John M. Urbancich
Stephen E. Wall
Artha Woods
Michael L. Walker
Executive Director
Cecilia C. Kasavich
Finance Director

SUPPORTING MEMBERS

Arter & Hadden • Baker & Hostetter • Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff • Callee, Halter & Griswold • Centenor Energy Foundation • City of Cleveland • The Cleveland Foundation • Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners
• Cuyahoga County Metropolitan Housing Authority • The East Ohio Gas Co. • Eaton Corp. • Ernst & Young • Ferro Foundation • First National Supermarkets • The Harry K. & Emma R. Fox Foundation • The George Gund Foundation
• The Lincoln Electric Foundation • Sherwin-Williams • Spangenberg, Shibley, Traci & Lancione • State of Ohio • Squires, Sanders & Dempsey • Thompson, Hine & Flory • TRW Inc.

"STRIVING TO MAKE CLEVELAND THE SAFEST CITY IN THE NATION"

THE TASK FORCE ON VIOLENT CRIME

300 Rockefeller Bldg., 614 Superior Ave., NW
Cleveland, Ohio 44113-1306
Phone (216) 781-2944 x288 FAX (216) 781-2988

November 2, 1993

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I became emboldened to write you because of three recent events.

1. Your interview with Larry King (Weekend) which, while focused on health care, disclosed to me your avid interest in the problems of violent crime.
2. The spate of bills being introduced in Congress, such as the Brady Bill and the Crime Bill, which purport to address one or more aspects of these problems.
3. A communication which I received as a member of the American Bar Association's Special Committee on the Drug Crisis regarding President Bill Ide's conversation with you, once again confirming your interest in the issues surrounding drug abuse and its impact on violence in our society.

National leadership is essential and only someone of your stature can supply that leadership.

Permit me to set before you the "Cleveland experience," which I am bold to suggest can be the basis for a national model to address the issues of violent crime in our local and national communities.

In 1981 when I was President of the Cleveland Bar Association, the Task Force on Violent Crime was established. The idea was born out of a personal outrage that I had with regard to the rampant violence in our society--an outrage exacerbated by the fact that while it affected all of us, it particularly affected the disadvantaged. The Task Force has remained viable, intact, and committed and is now in its thirteenth year of existence.

Permit me, again, to share with you what we have learned and give you some small idea of what has been accomplished:

- The police, the schools, the court system (juvenile and general), public housing, and the political establishment cannot address these problems alone, but must do so cooperatively and in partnership.
- To suggest solutions is counterproductive, raising expectations of the community and dashing hopes when no solution is forthcoming. Addressing the issues and sharing and devising practical efforts to lessen the incidence of violence is productive and satisfying.
- Any effort requires a longtime commitment, overcoming many pitfalls along the way.
- The effort must be as apolitical as possible. Indeed, the Task Force is totally apolitical.
- Any effort must encompass (1) prevention; (2) education; (3) treatment; and (4) sanctions.
- Any effort must be focused on the peculiarities of the local communities, though many of the principles are of general application.

The following are some of the efforts that have been made by the Task Force:

- **Police mini-stations.** One of our first projects was the King-Kennedy Estates, a public housing project, where robberies and muggings occurred on a daily basis. With the cooperation of the police and the Cleveland Metropolitan Housing Authority ("CMHA"), we originated the first mini-station and trained tenants as auxiliary police, reducing those incidents to a virtual zero. There are now twenty-four such police mini-stations spread throughout the city, providing a safety net not only for the citizens but for the business community.

- **Youth Resource Centers.** They were established first in one school and now are in approximately twelve. The program requires participation by city police, school board officials, neighborhood centers, CMHA, and Juvenile Court. The centers have addressed the problems of incorrigible children who not only get involved in the juvenile system but who are disruptive in the schools. Some 6,000 pupils have gone through the program. It is now self-sustaining, monitored by the Task Force which was able to obtain \$3,000,000 in federal funding over three years -- funding that would not have come into the community except for the credibility of the Task Force.
- **Early Dropout Prevention.** This program presently is in two schools involving fifth and sixth graders. One person, Dwayne Douglas, at a salary of \$35,000, directs the program. The first two years' experience shows that out of 104 children who went through the program, children that were failing and dropping out are now passing, raising their grades from Ds and Fs to As and Bs. We are attempting to expand this program. It must be kept in mind that in the Cleveland area, one delinquent going through our Juvenile Court system costs the taxpayers \$30,000.
- **Utilities Security Group.** We organized over 600 employees from some of our utility companies, trained them, provided a manual, and arranged for their ability to report incidents to the police department while performing their normal duties. The result is more safety for the community and for the employees.
- **Youth gangs.** The Task Force has developed an exquisite expertise on how to identify and handle youth gangs. We have worked with police departments throughout the county, statewide, and beyond the borders of Ohio. Our Executive Director, Michael L. Walker, and his cohort, Linda M. Schmidt, have become recognized experts in the field of youth violence and youth gangs. I will tell you that as I write this letter, Mike and Linda have become known to Attorney General Janet Reno and are in the process of arranging to train 150 federal officers in their field of expertise.
- **Substance Abuse Initiative.** This entity is an adjunct to the Task Force that was created some four years ago. It is now under the direction of our Project Director, Lori Zehe.

The Initiative has had four years of experience and has accomplished the following:

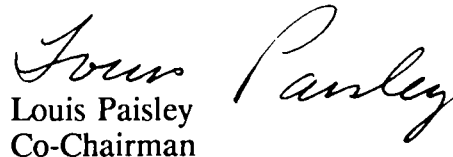
- We have coordinated the Greater Cleveland Red Ribbon Program, carrying it on each year to increase the public awareness of the dangers of substance abuse.
- We have helped the schools and colleges in the areas to campaign for a drug-free environment on their own campuses.
- We have organized coalitions in Cleveland neighborhoods to run drug sellers out of town. We have helped the city organize and carry out drug busts and have closed drug houses.
- We have conducted seminars for public officials, school officials, and small businesses to help them establish and carry out drug-free policies.
- We have opened a resource center for information on substance abuse programs.
- We have published directories of both public and private treatment and prevention programs.
- We have sponsored prevention fairs in shopping centers throughout the Greater Cleveland area.
- We have been the local sponsor for the Partnerships For A Drug-Free America and a Drug-Free Ohio and have helped coordinate 8,000 Cleveland radio and television spots throughout the past year.
- In 1992, the Initiative was recognized as an Outstanding Community Prevention Program by the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services.
- In 1993, the Initiative was selected as one of eleven 1992-1993 Exemplary Prevention Programs by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention of the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
November 2, 1993
Page 5

Thirteen years of experience cannot be set forth in a letter. We will be happy to share our knowledge and experiences with you.

Judge Burt W. Griffin, a sitting judge of our Common Pleas Court, and I, a practicing attorney, remain as co-chairs of this challenging and rewarding project -- evidence of the commitment and persistence necessary to address the issues involved in the reduction of the incidence of violent crime in any community.

Very truly yours,


Louis Paisley
Co-Chairman

LP:mmc

cc: The Honorable Burt W. Griffin
Mr. Michael L. Walker

My office address and telephone number:

Weston, Hurd, Fallon, Paisley & Howley
2500 Terminal Tower, 50 Public Square
Cleveland, OH 44113-2241
(216) 241-6602

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1993

Mr. Louis Paisley
Weston, Hurd, Fallon, Paisley & Howley
2500 Terminal Tower
50 Public Square
Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Dear Mr. Paisley:

Thank you for your letter regarding the increasing problem of crime in our nation. President Clinton and I share your concerns about this issue.

I appreciate your sharing with me the strategies adopted by the Task Force on Violent Crime in order to fight crime in Cleveland. The Task Force members are to be commended for their innovation and effectiveness.

The President has submitted a crime initiative which calls for placing more police officers on our streets in order to combat the increased crime throughout the nation's neighborhoods. He also supports stricter and longer sentences for the country's serious criminals, as well as placing reasonable limits on appeals and providing proper representation.

Thank you again for sharing your ideas on fighting crime throughout the nation. Your continued support will be invaluable as the Administration works to make meaningful changes in government and in people's lives.

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

C. David Hancock, M.Div. D.D.

1555 North Main Street Frankfort, IN 46041-1167 November 6, 1993

Hillary Rodman Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Hillary Rodman Clinton:

I am a retired Methodist minister whom you have never seen. One of the things I have done in the last few years is to write a note of thanks at Thanksgiving time to people who have contributed significantly to me.

This Thanksgiving time I want to thank you for your contribution to me. As I view you, I see a woman who has been endowed with great intellect, education, ability and skill. You appear to be a person determined to serve her daughter, her husband, her country and her God. You have encountered some large problems, hurts and heartaches. You know these better than I. You are obviously going to great pains to protect your daughter from some negatives of living in the White House. You are making financially much less than you did last year as a competent attorney.

You are working hard on a volunteer bases to correct our Health Care as a nation. I believe you are strengthening your husband in the intimacy of your marriage for the awesome task and opportunity he has. You deal with dignity and thoughtfulness those people who are more interested in being against what you and your husband are for than they are to benefit our nation and world. You must have been tempted as was Our Lord to use your great gifts for your own benefit with little genuine regard for others even your family. You make me think that the efforts of your parents and your church are bearing fruit seventy times seven.

I also appreciate the efforts of the president. If you think to tell him, I would be glad. He has some payment for his efforts that you do not have. That is my reason for writing you this Thanksgiving time. Hopefully your staff will pass this note on to you. If they do perhaps this thank you that comes as a surprise will contribute positively to your Thanksgiving season.

Sincerely yours,

David Hancock

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 20, 1993

Reverend C. David Hancock
1555 North Main Street
Frankfort, Indiana 46041

Dear Reverend Hancock:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter. Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Receiving this touching note during the holiday season makes it all the more special.

I also want to thank you for your interest in health care reform. Your support is invaluable to the President as his Administration works toward meaningful and lasting change in our health care system.

Thank you again for your kind words. I wish you a happy and healthy holiday season.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

P. O. 151
South Orleans, MA 02662
Nov, 12, 1993

Alice J. Pushkar
Director of Correspondence
for the First Lady
The White House
Washington

Dear Ms. Pushkar,

Thank you so much for your careful and thoughtful reading of my letter. Though I surmise that you treated all letters with the same attention, knowing the vast number that you received, I am amazed.

Denise Schwalb of HCFA soon called, was very sympathetic, and put me in touch with the appropriate person in Massachusetts. I received a call from her the next day!

Though we are still in process of solving our problems, we rest in the secure knowledge that this is a caring administration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nancy E. Higgins". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Nancy E. Higgins

D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli

October 8, 1993

The Honorable Hillary Rodham Clinton
First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington D.C. 20500

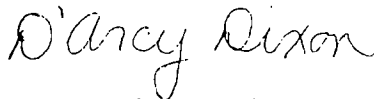
Dear Ms. Rodham Clinton,

Enclosed is an article on my husband and I in which we are touted as the "Bill and Hillary Clinton of Utah." What an honor! The write-up refers to the great bathroom debate which actually happened. I was asking my husband "How are you, as the Democrat Minority Leader in the House, going to come out against the President's plan just because your employer Blue Cross does?" We had toothpaste all over the bathroom from shaking our toothbrushes at each other. We laugh about it now.

Both my husband and I had the opportunity to meet President Clinton during his campaign stop in Utah. Since I was Vice Chair of the State Democratic Party and my husband Minority Leader in the House, we were able to shake his hand and get a picture. We hope we have the pleasure of meeting you one day.

We appreciate everything you are both doing for the Democratic Party and this nation. And personally, I appreciate the excellent role model you are for other women.

My best wishes always,



D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli

Politics can put a strain on married couples

By Alan Edwards
Deseret News staff writer

When both spouses in a marriage are public figures, one spouse — almost always the woman — often ends up sacrificing her own ambitions for her partner.

"Politics is incredibly draining on a relationship," said D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli, policy and legislative analyst for the Utah Hospital Association.

The most obvious example of spouse sacrifice is Hillary Clinton, a nationally known legal talent who abandoned numerous political and business activities — including a lucrative position with the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Ark. — to accompany her husband on the campaign trail.

Once in the White House, President Clinton, not wanting to waste his wife's considerable skills, appointed her leader of his health-care reform task force. However, that move prompted criticism from people accustomed to less politically active first ladies.

"Impeach Clinton," a Salt Lake bumper sticker said. "And her husband, too."

Like Hillary Clinton, D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli has sacrificed her political ambitions for her husband, Utah House Minority Leader Frank Pignanelli. She decided not to run for another term as vice chairwoman of the Utah Democratic Party last May, in part to clear the decks for her husband's political ambitions.

But don't assume that she expects that pattern to continue indefinitely. She has her own political ambitions.

"There will be a time down the road when I ask Frank to step out (for me)," she said.

One of D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli's occupational duties is lobbying the Utah Legislature on behalf of



Frank and D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli say their dual political careers have been bearable — and valuable.

the hospital association. With her husband a powerful legislator, this has raised eyebrows and rumblings of conflicts of interest.

She takes pains, though, to avoid using her husband to gain unfair advantage.

"I don't use my access to the hallways," she said. "I send notes into the legislators like everyone else. . . . I have my own relationship with the legislators."

Frank Pignanelli agreed: "I heard rumors when she was hired that she is going to control my vote or whatever. '(But) she's never

once said, 'You have to vote for this.' . . . People know I'm a very independent person. I vote how I feel is right."

For example, D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli was pushing hard for a hospital tax bill last session, but her husband was not convinced until very late in the game.

"I was one of the holdouts," he said.

Since both husband and wife are so involved in politics, the Pignanellis hold frequent and vigorous policy discussions — at home. He cites "the famous bathroom de-

bate" in which they argued, heatedly, the merits of the hospital association's proposed health-care plan, to the point where they began questioning each other's loyalty to the Democratic Party.

Such debates are exacerbated by Frank Pignanelli's job at Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Insurance companies are frequently at loggerheads with the hospital association.

"Not only is there competition (between the hospitals and Blue Cross), there is animosity," he said. "So we get into it fairly often."

The couple spend so much per-



Hillary Clinton gave up her career to join Bill on campaign trail.

sonal time arguing about politics they actually welcome arguments about normal household things, such as where to hang a picture or what type of wallpaper to use.

"Sometimes I wish she worked in a restaurant so we could argue about food instead," he said.

Notwithstanding the myriad

problems, both husband and wife say their dual political careers have been not only bearable but valuable.

She: "If you make it through, it makes you even stronger."

He: "To hear her discuss (her side) and have to answer it, it has been a benefit."

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1993

Ms. D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli
598 North West Capital Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84103

Dear Ms. Pignanelli:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter and the article describing the lively debate between you and your husband. Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me.

I appreciate your support for the Clinton administration's efforts to address the many complex issues facing our country today.

Thank you for all the great work which both you and your husband have done for the Clinton Administration in Utah. Your continued support will be invaluable as the Administration works to guarantee all Americans health care coverage that can never be taken away.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

November 14, 1993
Drakes Branch, VA
804

Dear Mrs. Rodham-Clinton,

I am a middle school teacher in rural SouthSide Virginia. My husband and I are deeply committed to public schools and to doing what we can for the students in this culturally deprived area. We have no children of our own, but between us, we teach approximately two hundred and fifty kids we care about and worry about everyday. After twelve long years (my entire adult life), we finally have two people in the White House that have our values.

You'll never know how much I respect you and what you stand for. I feel you are THE role model adolescent girls need today. You are a personal role model, and I admire your conviction and your courage to stand up for those convictions.

I have never asked anyone for an autograph before, but it would mean a great deal to me if you would sign my copy of NEA Today. You and President Clinton have our best

Wishes and good will.

I know you are very busy, and you may not see this. I hope, at the very least, your secretary will tell you you got a fan letter today.

Our hopes are pinned on you both for 1996!

Sincerely,
Deborah Jackson

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1993

Ms. Deborah Jackson
Post Office Box 111
Drakes Branch, Virginia 23937

Dear Ms. Jackson:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter. Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me.

I commend you and your husband for your work for the children in your community. Young people throughout our nation need adults who love them, who teach them, who discipline them, and who stand up and fight for their interests.

I am honored that you feel that I am a role model for young women today and I greatly appreciate your support for the President and me. Your continued support will be invaluable as the Administration works to make meaningful changes in government and in people's lives.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

Greetings sent to groups and organizations from November 7 through November 20:

- * 25th Annual Women at Work Awards (Wider Opportunities for Women)
- * National Primary Care Conference for Nurse Practitioners
- * Ladies Professional Golf Association - Women in Golf Summit '93
- * Eye Bank Association of America Educational Conference
- * The Community Foundation - Second Annual Healthy Community Partnership Awards
- * 10th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect
- * AMC Cancer Research Center - 1993 "Women's Event"
- * Project Angel Food
- * Child Care Recovery and Learning Center - Grand Opening
- * National Symposium Health Care Design Awards Banquet
- * Ladies Auxiliary of the Columbus Club Foundation
- * Indian Haven Nursing Center

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 8, 1993

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to send greetings to each of you attending the 25th Annual Women at Work Awards.

As a respected advocate for the needs and rights of women workers, Wider Opportunities for Women (WOW), each year offers to women the means to achieve economic independence and equality of opportunity through education, training and employment. I commend your efforts for a quarter of a century not only to promote the cause of equal rights for women but also to provide the impetus for self-realization.

I offer my congratulations to the individuals being honored tonight and my best wishes to all for a wonderful evening.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H".

Hillary Rodham Clinton

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 9, 1993

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to send greetings to each of you attending the National Primary Care Conference for Nurse Practitioners.

At this time of national discussion on health care, I commend your interest, indicative of the dedication of primary care givers, that brings you together to discuss national health reform. The Health Security Plan will increase the role of nurses, nurse midwives, and health care professionals in primary and preventive care. It will reduce professional barriers for these health care providers and cut the paperwork that forces them to spend more time at desks than at bedsides.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable and productive conference.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 11, 1993

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to send greetings to each of you attending the Second Annual Healthy Community Partnership Awards dinner.

I commend former First Lady Rosalynn Carter and Betty Bumpers as they are being honored for their inspirational "Every Child by Two" national immunization campaign. Congratulations to them and all of tonight's honorees for their dedication and commitment in the area of health care.

At this time of national discussion on the subject of health care, the President and his Administration are counting on your continued support as they work to provide for all Americans a program of quality health care that can never be taken away.

Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "H".

Hillary Rodham Clinton

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 15, 1993

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to send greetings to each of you attending the Tenth National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect: "Building Bridges to the Future."

Your efforts to increase public awareness, educate and train parents and professionals, and provide support to programs which address the problems of child abuse and neglect are commendable. Please be assured that protecting children from violence, abuse and neglect is one of the Clinton Administration's highest priorities.

Each of us can make a difference in the life of a child or young person every day if we are willing to take the time to reach out to him or her with caring and compassion. We must all work together to make sure that every child has a chance.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable and productive conference.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Hillary" being the most prominent.

Hillary Rodham Clinton