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2/24/99

To: Todd
From: Jack

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10/22/98

Todd,

I wanted to let you know I have submitted the required paperwork to The White House Volunteer Office, including forms for the background check. Enclosed is a resumé for your review, which will give you a history of my experience. I especially hope to develop more expertise in policy research and analysis.

I am looking forward to working with you as soon as possible. I'm currently working in Tom Sheridan's office Mon. & Tues, and can commit Wed. - Fri. 9:00 - 5:00 to you. Thank you very much for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Jack Gardner

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OBJECTIVE: To obtain a position in policy analysis, program planning, or management which would utilize my twelve years of geriatric social work experience.

EDUCATION: Masters in Social Work, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, May 1981. Concentration in Organizational and Community Services, with focus on policy, planning, and management in social services.

B. A. in History, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, May 1977.
Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Total Longterm Care Agency, Denver CO *June 1994--June 1998*
Social Worker in a multi-disciplinary program, based on the On Lok PACE model in San Francisco, which provides comprehensive medical and social services to frail, elderly clients as an alternative to nursing home placement. Casework services include assessment, service planning, crisis intervention, and supportive counseling to clients and families.
Supervisor: Greg Erickson, (303) 573-8123.

Durham County Department of Social Services *August 1990--December 1993*
Durham, NC
Social Worker in the Group Care unit of Adult Services. Responsible for regulatory compliance of longterm care facilities, complaint investigations, staff education and training, and advocacy for residents. Other duties include placement and protective services.
Supervisor: Wanda Parrish, (919) 560-8600.

Multi-purpose Senior Services Program *August 1986--October 1988*
San Mateo, CA
Social Worker providing case management services to low-income, frail elderly clients, enabling vulnerable individuals to avoid nursing home placement.
Supervisor: Merle Espaldon, San Mateo County Dept. of Social Services

Visiting Nursing Service of Sonoma County *June 1984--August 1986*
Santa Rosa, CA
Medical Social Worker for a private, non-profit home health agency. Casework services include short-term counseling, crisis intervention, and assistance with long-range planning and utilization of supportive community resources. Supervisor: Joseph Gonzalez, (707) 542-5045.

OTHER EXPERIENCE: Field Instructor 1991-1993 for the UNC School of Social Work, responsible for planning and supervision of graduate students in field work and special projects.

Marketing Director, J.W. Gardner Inc., construction and development company, April 1989-August 1990.

SPECIAL PROJECTS:

*Member of the NC Adult Placement Policy Workgroup, responsible for rewriting policy and procedures for Department of Social Services placement services.

*Supervisor and lead author of a research report on residents' perceptions of quality of life in longterm care facilities in Durham County, NC.

*Designed a quality of life training workshop for facility staff, and obtained a grant for the statewide distribution of educational materials.

Author, *Center Point: Memories of a Family*.

1/20/99

Todd,

I will need to reduce my time in the office to Wednesdays only. My partner is accepting an offer to join a medical practice in Fairfax County, and I need more time to begin househunting in Arlington, in addition to still looking for a permanent job.

I will continue to research the subject of HIV/AIDS and older adults and modify the briefing paper. If there is anything else I can do to be of help here, please let me know. I'm very grateful to have the opportunity to make even a small contribution to the valuable work of this office.

Thanks,
Jack

3/17/99

Todd,

I am writing to let you know that, due to other commitments, today will be my last day as a Volunteer. Attached is a brief summary regarding the communications project.

Thank you for an interesting experience. Best of luck to you in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jack", is written over the printed name "Jack Gardner".

Jack Gardner

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3/3/99

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Meeting with Steve Fisher, Communications Director for AIDS Action, 2/24/99.

*Their network assistance to the White House Office would be via their weekly 'Hotwire' publication. Submit press releases to Steve for inclusion in the publication.

*General use of their Fax network for others is costly and might be objectionable to their Members. A case by case possibility could be reviewed with Jeff Jacobs in Govt. Affairs.

*Steve will talk with their Deputy Executive Director re any other ideas to help.

*He notes that AIDS Action communication with the White House has been good.

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