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Candidate Information Summary

Agencies: Please explain carefully to the candidate that the solicitation of this information does not guarantee a position in the administration. In the event the candidate is selected for a Presidential appointment, this information will be used for governmental as well as other White House purposes. A copy of this form should be sent to OPM.

Essential Information:

7/12/95

Name: James Charles Riley

(As you want it to appear on formal records)

Date of Birth (M/T/Y): (b)(6)

Social Security Number: (b)(6)

[0002]

Place of Birth: (b)(6)

Exact Statutory Position/Title/Area: Member

Department or Agency: Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission

Appointment Type: PAS

Pay Grade:

EOD:

(PAS, PA, Non-Career SES, Sch.C, other)

Term Limit: 6 years

Name of person who previously held the position: Richard V. Backley

(for PAS/PA only)

Personal Data:

(The provision of diversity/political data is entirely optional and is for internal use only)

Gender (M/F): M

Race/Ethnicity: C

Veteran Status: No

Disability (Y/N): None

(AA, AP, C, II, NA)

Home State: VA

Hometown Newspaper: Washington Post/Times

Political Affiliation (D,R,I): D

Send Forms to: Home

(Home, Office, Other)

Home Address: 1228 N. Pouhatan St.

Business Address: U.S. Dept of Labor

200 Constitution Ave

Arlington, VA 22205

Washington, D.C. 20210

Home Telephone: 703-241-8236

Business Telephone: 202-219-9039

Name & Tel. # of person completing this form: Alan Binisman 62684

Campaign Experience: Yes

Comments:

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September 8, 1995

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
 President of the United States
 The White House
 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing in regard to James C. Riley, a former member of the professional staff of the Education and Labor Committee. It is my understanding that there have been discussions with Mr. Riley about the possibility of his appointment, subject to Senate confirmation, to the Mine Safety and Health Review Commission (MSHRC) or the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (OSHRC). I would like to lend my support to this discourse, and urge you to give very serious consideration to nominating Mr. Riley for appointment.

Jim Riley was on the Education and Labor Committee staff for 10 years. For seven of those years, he was Staff Director and Chief Counsel of the former Subcommittee on Labor Standards, which became the Subcommittee on Labor Standards, Occupational Health and Safety in the 103d Congress. That subcommittee's jurisdiction included legislative and oversight responsibility for the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Coal Mine Health and Safety Act, and the Mine Safety and Health Act. Committee reorganization, at the beginning of the 104th Congress, consolidated worker safety issues into the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, chaired by Rep. Cass Ballenger of North Carolina.

Throughout his service with the Committee, Mr. Riley, almost uniquely among then-majority staff, related to the minority in a manner that conveyed respect, understanding, and an appreciation for the important role of the loyal opposition. While Mr. Riley did not always agree with my staff, he managed to disagree without disdain. His sincere cordiality to the minority reflects a sense of fundamental fairness which resulted in a working relationship free of suspicion, that too often characterized relations between the former Democratic majority and the then-Republican minority.

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Mr. Riley has considerable experience with the issues that arise under statutes interpreted by MSHRC and OSHRC. In addition to direct responsibility for workplace safety and health programs as counsel and staff director of the jurisdictional subcommittee during the last Congress, Mr. Riley provided legislative and legal counsel to the former chairman of that subcommittee, Austin J. Murphy (D-PA) [retired], during many of Mr. Murphy's 16 years of prior service on the Health and Safety Subcommittee, before its consolidation with the Labor Standards Subcommittee. It is perhaps worth noting that the subcommittee chairman Mr. Riley advised for many years was a strong advocate of safety in the workplace, especially in the mines, and was the last of many coal field Congressmen who served in leadership positions on this Committee.

I am mindful of the political confusion that may result from a Republican Chairman recommending a former Democratic staff member; however, what distinguishes Mr. Riley from many of his Democratic colleagues is that, without compromising his own principles, he acknowledges the legitimacy of conservative perspectives and can recognize merit in Republican proposals. Long before it became politically imperative to work things out with Republicans, Mr. Riley attempted to do so, not because it was popular, but because it was the right thing to do.

In conclusion, I believe Mr. Riley is an informed, fair and judicious individual who will serve with distinction on an adjudicatory commission where his knowledge and ability can be put to good use. I hope my recommendation is not detrimental toward achieving that end.

Sincerely,



BILL GOODLING
Chairman

BG:RKJ:kaw

cc Mr. James C. Riley

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

9/15/95

Dear Senator Kohl:

JUST A note to say we are
still working on the HHS position
for Hannah Rosenthal. We are
trying to work with HHS staff to
make this happen. we are not "there"
yet.

Bob Nash

cc: Peg Clark