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MEMORANDUM

TO: CHARLES DUNCAN
FROM: DOROTHY R. JACKSON *D.R.J.*
DATE: OCTOBER 31, 1997
RE: TOBACCO - HEALTH ISSUE

As a follow-up to our meeting yesterday, I am sending you this memorandum regarding my experience with the Tobacco Settlement issue.

I am Congressman Donald M. Payne's liaison to the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) and, my responsibilities include staffing the CBC task forces and working groups. I have been and continue to be active with the CBC Tobacco Working Group. In addition, I keep abreast of the general views of the Administration, mainstream legislators and the public.

For example, the Congressional Black Caucus' reason for concern are the regressive nature of the settlement, historical targeting, and transition assistance for minority businesses and tobacco farmers. They want the settlement to include specific provisions that establish cessation (prevention, treatment, and recovery), education, and media programs targeted directly at minorities in order to lower both youth and adult smoking rates. In addition, there should be research funds reserved for African American educational and medical institutions charged with developing culturally effective cessation, education and media programs. NOTE: Currently, the Congressional Black Caucus does not have an official position on many of the regulatory and civil liability provisions in the proposed settlement.

On the other hand, legislators and the American public are skeptical of the settlement for other reasons. The settlement between the tobacco companies and 40 state attorneys general sounds good. The tobacco companies would pay the states more than \$368 billion over the next twenty five years, finance anti-smoking campaigns, and accept restrictions on their marketing. The problem with this is that in return, the companies would win protection against class-action lawsuits and punitive-damage awards. The settlement is supposed to penalize the tobacco companies, but they are for it so how much of a penalty can it be.

The agreement was on very shaky ground until President Clinton rescued it in mid-September. The deal almost collapsed because of a change in the politics of tobacco. Historically, the Tobacco companies always won because of a lack of powerful opposition. That is no longer the case. A large percentage of Americans are against them. When the settlement was announced it was immediately denounced by public health advocates and bipartisan legislators.

President Clinton revived the issue, by opening it for renegotiation and calling for tougher sanctions. I think his reasoning is that the companies realize that their only protection from massive legal costs is federal legislation. At issue also, is the restriction Food and Drug Administration's ability to regulate tobacco and the federal government continuing to subsidize tobacco, knowing of its danger to our families.

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CAREER SUMMARY

Congressman Donald M. Payne, Chairman Black Caucus

U.S. House of Representatives

Special Assistant, 1995-present

- Serve as staff liaison to Congressional Black Caucus
- Responsible for press and media inquiries concerning African-American issues.
- Write speeches, op-ed articles, and other articles pertaining to the African-American community. Maintain a working network with the African-American media.
- Responsible for briefing Member on all issues arising out of the Judiciary Committee, including civil rights and criminal justice matters.
- Plan annual CBC Retreat.
- Organize over 60 Issue Forums and Braintrusts annually for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's Annual Legislative Conference.
- Provide staff support to CBC Task Forces on health, church burnings, voting rights, budget, drugs, Haiti, affirmative action, and welfare reform.
- Directed CBC National Town Hall Meeting, which was televised on C-SPAN, BET, and PBS during the Annual Legislative Conference.
- Served as CBC Liaison to the White House Legislative Affairs Office, Office of the Vice President, and all Cabinet Officers.

Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson, U.S. House of Representatives

Chief of Staff, January 1995-July 1995

- Responsible for management, direction, operations and oversight of Dallas and Washington office operations and for appropriate and effective use of office resources and enforcement of office policies.
- Advised Congresswoman and staff regarding compliance of rules and regulations of the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct and Federal Election Commission.
- Informed and advised Member on pending legislation, issues, and legislative initiatives in the areas of civil and constitutional rights, crime, judiciary, children, youth and families.
- Responsible for outreach to organized Labor and other groups.

Democratic Steering & Policy Committee, U.S. House of Representatives

Assistant to the Speaker, 1992-1995

- Provide updates to the Speaker of the House regarding the status and direction of pertinent legislation and public policy.
- Serve as Speaker's Liaison and advisor to the Freshman Class of the 103rd Congress, Congressional Black Caucus, Congressional Hispanic Caucus, and the Committees on Education and Labor, Energy and Commerce, Government Operations and District of Columbia.
- Travel with congressional delegations on fact-finding missions to Taiwan, Hawaii, Guam, Kwajalein Atol, Alaska (Adak, Shemya, Anchorage and Fairbanks), England (London, Mendenhall AFB), Egypt, Kenya, Somalia (Baidoa, Mogadishu), Denmark (Copenhagen), Poland (Warsaw, Krakow), Germany (Frankfurt, Essen, Stuttgart, Dusseldorf, Munich), France (Paris), South Africa (Johannesburg, Pretoria), Portugal (Lisbon).

Congresswoman Barbara-Rose Collins, U.S. House of Representatives

Chief of Staff, 1991-1992

- Responsible for management, direction, operation and oversight of Detroit and Washington office operations and for appropriate and effective use of office resources and enforcement of office policies.
- Informed and advised Member on pending legislation, issues, and legislative initiatives in the area of civil and constitutional rights, crime, judiciary, children, youth and families.
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Samdor Enterprises, Ltd., New York and Washington, DC Consultant, 1989-1991

- Developed promotional marketing and programmatic strategies for political candidates and elected officials.
- Organized fundraisers and special projects for clients, including Congressman Major R. Owens and Ronald V. Dellums, California Assemblywoman Barbara Lee, Pablo Crespo Torres, Mayor of Anasco, Puerto Rico and Bemich Associates, Inc. of New York.

Congressman Edolphus Towns, U.S. House of Representatives Chief of Staff, 1986-1989

- Managed staff in Washington and New York offices.
- Responsible for the administration of time and attendance records as well as writing press releases and handling press calls, represented Member at meetings and events in Washington, DC and Brooklyn, NY.
- Planned annual trips to Washington, DC, San Juan, and Arecibo, Puerto Rico and kept abreast of developing community issues and current events in the district.
- Planned, coordinated and hosted receptions, forums, town hall meetings and fundraisers.

Vincent L. Johnson, Esq. Law Clerk, 1985-1986

- Maintained files, wrote briefs, facilitated non-profit corporations, condominium sales and represented clients in Family, Landlord-Tenant and Criminal Courts.

Community School District 19, Brooklyn, New York Education Administrator, 1983-1985

- Served as Director of Early Childhood Education.
- Supervised and evaluated teachers of grades K-12.
- Selected and purchased teaching materials for all elementary schools.

New York City Board of Education Teacher of English, 1971-1983

- Taught Grammar, Creative Writing, Public Speaking, Remedial Reading and English Literature to grades seven through nine.

RELATED SKILLS

- Strong organizational and detail oriented skills.
- Well regarded for interpersonal, written and oral communications.
- Effectively handle multiple tasks simultaneously.
- Demonstrated ability to acquire and apply knowledge rapidly.
- Independent work with minimal supervision and contribute to a team.

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EDUCATION

John C. Stennis Center for Public Service
Fellow, 104th Congress, 1995-1996

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts
John F. Kennedy School of Government
Fellow, Senior Managers in Government Program, 1989

Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi
Center for Study of Juvenile Delinquency/Prevention & Intervention
Certificate: Criminal Justice Administration, 1990

Seton Hall University, Newark, New Jersey
School of Law
Degree: Juris Doctor, 1978

Lincoln University, Lincoln University, Pennsylvania
English, Secondary Education
Degree: B.A., 1971

AWARDS AND HONORS

Concerned Women of Brooklyn - Women on the Move Award 1988
Mid-Brooklyn Civic Association - Public Affairs Award 1989
National Black Police Association - Civil Rights Award 1990
Who's Who Among African-Americans 1993

OFFICES HELD

President, Bridge Street A.M.E. Church Legal Society, 1987-1988
President, New York Urban League - Brooklyn Branch, 1986-1988
Judicial Delegate, 57th Assembly District, Brooklyn, New York, 1985-1987
Founding President, Council of Black Administrative Assistants & Associates, U.S. House of Representatives, 1989

AFFILIATIONS

Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church
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United Federation of Teachers - Delegate
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BIOGRAPHY

Dorothy R. Jackson is a senior political professional with a strong national reputation built on several years experience in New York State and in the Congress of the United States.

Most recently, she has served for the past ten years as a Senior Aide to Thomas S. Foley, Ambassador to Japan and former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Director of the Congressional Black Caucus, and Staff Director for several Members of Congress. She has traveled extensively in Europe, Asia, and Africa as well as in the United States, in the course of her work.

Regarding her political experience, Ms. Jackson managed a number of successful political campaigns, utilizing modern campaign management technology, as well as more traditional methods and attended two Democratic National Conventions. In addition, she was President of the Brooklyn Urban League, an official of New York City and New York State Teachers' unions. She is presently a life member of the NAACP and the National Council of Negro Women as well as a member of the National Political Caucus of Black Women.

A graduate of Lincoln University (Pennsylvania), Ms. Jackson was a Teacher of English and an Education Administrator in Brooklyn, New York for fourteen years. During this period, she earned a law degree from Seton Hall University School of Law in Newark, New Jersey. Her formal education includes fellowships at the John F. Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University and the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service at Mississippi State University. She holds a certificate in Criminal Justice Administration from Jackson State University in Mississippi.

Her many honors include the Civil Rights Award of the National Black Police Association, the Women on the Move Award from the concerned Women of Brooklyn, and the Public affairs Award of the Mid-Brooklyn Civic Association. Among her affiliations are Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church, the National Bar Association, NAACP, National Council of Negro Women, the National Political Caucus of Black Women and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.