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DATE: October 30, 2000

TO: Ms. Nancy V. Hrenreich
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Director of Oval Office Operations

FAX: (202) 456-2883

FROM: Tom McDonald
Ambassador

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Dear Nancy,

I hope all is well with you. I met with Bob Nash a few weeks ago to discuss my future plans. Please show this letter to The President and give him my best regards and sincere thanks. Additionally, I would appreciate you distributing the letter to the other White House addressees.

Thanks so much for your help. I look forward to staying in touch.

Sincerely,

Tom

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*Embassy of the United States of America*

Harare, October 30, 2000

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As we approach the end of your very successful Administration, it is with a sense of both fulfillment and pride that I look back on my tour of duty as the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe. However, it is now time for new opportunities and challenges. Therefore, effective on or about December 18, 2000, I will resign my position as Ambassador.

At that time I will already have completed my third anniversary in this very rigorous assignment that I have found professionally and personally stimulating and broadening. I believe that our work here has been important and constructive, and that we have been able to help Zimbabwe prepare for its transition to a more fully democratic society.

My wife, Anmarie, and I are truly grateful to you for giving us the opportunity to represent the United States during this most tumultuous period of Zimbabwe's history. We leave with wonderful friends and indelible memories. It has been an honor to serve you and our great nation.

Respectfully yours,

Tom McDonald
Ambassador

cc: The Secretary of State
The National Security Advisor
The Chief of Staff to the President
The Assistant to the President and Director of
the Office of Presidential Personnel
The Deputy Secretary of State
The Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs
The Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs
The Director General of the Foreign Service

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MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Bruce Reed
Barbara Chow

SUBJECT: DPC Weekly Report

1. Crime -- Bulletproof Vest Legislation: On Wednesday, the House passed by unanimous consent, "The Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 2000" (S. 2413), sponsored by Representative Visclosky. The Senate passed identical legislation sponsored by Senators Leahy and Campbell on October 10. The bill doubles funding for the current matching grant program to \$50 million and will extend the program until FY 2004. The Justice Department met your commitment to fund the 100,000th vest through this program by June 2000. At the funding level authorized by the new law, the vest program will be able to fund a vest for every state and local law enforcement officer in the country.

2. Crime -- School Safety Reports: On Thursday, the Departments of Justice and Education released two joint reports on school safety, the *2000 Annual Report on School Safety* and the *Indicators of School Crime and Safety 2000*. The reports show that school violence has continued to drop, consistent with the declining rate of crime committed against students outside of school. For students age 12 to 18, overall school crime decreased by nearly a third, from 144 crimes per 1,000 in 1992 to 101 school-related crimes in 1998. Violent victimizations in school dropped from 48 crimes per 1,000 students in 1992 to 43 crimes in 1998. Other key findings include: (1) Weapons carrying: The percentage of high school students who reported carrying a weapon to school, declined significantly, from 12 percent in 1993 to seven percent in 1999 – a 41 percent reduction. (2) Gangs: The report shows progress on gangs: the percentage of students reporting a street gang presence at their schools dropped from 29 percent in 1995 to 17 percent in 1999. (3) Violent deaths: Violent deaths in schools remain rare and declined. There were 34 violent deaths in 1998-99 as compared to the high of 49 deaths reported in 1995-96.

3. Disability--National Disability Mentoring Day: On Wednesday, the Administration observed National Disability Mentoring Day with a series of activities throughout federal agencies for over 100 high-school and college age individuals with disabilities. You

issued a statement praising the government and private sector employers who participated in Disability Mentoring Day. The statement also reiterated the Administration's commitment to the overall goal of promoting employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. DOL, HHS, SSA, and VA announced a variety of grants and public-private initiatives that help expand employment opportunities for people with disabilities. The First Lady's previously announced interagency Youth to Work initiative to improve employment outcomes for young people with disabilities was formalized in an Executive Order amendment.

4. Welfare - - Report on America's Families: Last week, the Urban Institute released a report, *Snapshots of America's Families II*, that confirmed a number of encouraging trends we've seen in other national reports. This report reflects data from a 1999 national survey, with a focus on 13 key states, including California, Texas, New York and Florida. This study, initiated in 1997 to capture the effects of welfare reform, showed that between 1997 and 1999 employment increased among low-income parents (particularly among black parents), while poverty (for both adults and children), food insecurity, and the proportion of children living in single-parent families decreased. Indicators of child well-being remained largely stable, but where there were changes, they tended to be positive for lower-income children and negative for higher-income families, despite persistent gaps between these income groups.

5. Education - RAND Report. On Wednesday, RAND released a case study on whether or not scores on state-wide, high-stakes tests accurately reflect student achievement. The report demonstrates that Texas scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) fail to confirm the gains achieved by Texas students according to the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS). According to the study's authors, the "stark differences" between the stories told by TAAS and NAEP scores raise serious questions about the validity of student achievement gains touted by some as a "Texas miracle." Although the state test (TAAS) indicated that Texas students had made larger gains than the national average and that the test score gap between minorities and whites had narrowed significantly over the past eight years, on NAEP scores Texas students do not show gains significantly larger than the national average, and the test score gap in Texas has actually slightly increased. The report explains the discrepancy by citing survey and observation data indicating that many teachers are "teaching to the test" for TAAS preparation, and that this practice has raised test scores without really improving reading and math skills. This latest RAND study does not address the same questions and is not directly comparable to the study RAND released in July, which found that minority students from Texas have improved on NAEP tests more than peers from similar backgrounds across the country. That study noted that a substantial part of Texas' advantage could be attributed to smaller class sizes and the availability of subsidized public preschools.

6. Education -- Philadelphia Teachers Strike: The Philadelphia Federation of Teachers (PFT) went on strike after schools let out today, although a negotiated agreement is still possible over the weekend. The 21,000-member union's old contract expired September 1st, and after renewal negotiations broke down, Mayor John Street

imposed the contract under which they have been working for the last several weeks. In exchange for extending the school day by one hour and for increasing co-payments and deductibles for health insurance, Mayor Street and the School Board are offering an annual salary increase of 4 percent for the next 4 years. The PFT says the changes actually amount to a pay cut. In light of today's strike announcement, Mayor Street has asked the City Council to allot up to \$45 million from the city's surplus for an enhanced teachers' contract. There have also been talks between Mayor Street and Governor Ridge about a possible state takeover of the Philadelphia School district under Act 46, in which case teachers would be barred from striking and would risk suspension of their teaching licenses if they disobeyed.

7. Health Care -- Vermont Medicaid Prescription Drug Waiver Update: HHS and OMB have finalized their review and approved Governor Dean's Medicaid prescription drug rebate proposal. Under the Vermont proposal, Medicare beneficiaries without prescription drug coverage who have incomes at or over 150 percent of poverty, as well as any uninsured resident with an income of less than 300 percent of poverty, would be eligible to access the prescription drug rebates that the Medicaid now receives. Although this program would provide access to discounts, it would not provide insurance coverage. Governor Dean has been urging us to publicly approve this waiver as soon as possible, as he sees it as being beneficial to both his constituency and his re-election campaign. We believe we should release it, but are still working on the best timing for the announcement. One potential drawback may be that it could be viewed as validation for state based programs, such as those advocated by George Bush and the Republicans. However, as Governor Dean points out, this waiver would not provide any Federal support for insurance coverage, and as such, could not be defined as a viable alternative to a Medicare prescription drug benefit, fact that Governor Dean will be more than happy to validate.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

CC: JOHN PODESTA
FROM: GEORGE T. FRAMPTON, JR. *DSS for*
SUBJECT: CEQ WEEKLY REPORT

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BUDGET

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The latest version of the Commerce, Justice, State appropriations bill has created substantial concern in both the environmental and coastal states communities. Instead of using the CARA-like additional monies to fund sound programs to help the environment, much of the new money has been earmarked for specific projects or general funding to oil states that may or may not benefit the environment.

Everglades Restoration

Late Thursday, the House and Senate conference staff reached agreement on a Water Resources Development Act of 2000 (WRDA), including Everglades restoration provisions. We will be reviewing the compromise today, but are told that many of the provisions we objected to, particularly in the House bill, were dropped. Unfortunately, some of those objectionable provisions, particularly those expanding the mission of the Army Corps of Engineers to include about \$400 million in environmental infrastructure projects, such as wastewater treatment and drinking water, are likely to be added to the Labor/HHS Appropriations bill instead.

Tropical Forests and Biodiversity

The Foreign Operations Appropriations bill includes full funding of the most significant part of your Greening the Globe initiative – a 61% increase from \$62 to \$100 million for USAID's programs to protect threatened tropical forests and key ecosystems.

RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP

Northwestern Hawaiian Island Coral Reefs

Based on the instructions you gave in May at the Asseategue Island National Seashore, CEQ has been working with both the Secretaries of Commerce and the Interior to provide you with a joint recommendation on how to protect our nation's coral reefs in the area around the uninhabited archipelago of islands northwest of the main Hawaiian islands. Several options have emerged,

including the designation of the first marine-only national monument into the Exclusive Economic Zone. This past week, under the guidance of Senators Hollings and Inouye, the National Marine Sanctuary Act has been amended to give the President authority to create a coral reef reserve around the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands as a first step to permanent protection. This statutory language will be helpful in moving the agencies' recommendation forward to you next week.

PROTECTING COMMUNITIES FROM TOXICS

WTI

On Friday, October 20, the EPA Ombudsman released a preliminary report regarding the Waste Technologies Industries (WTI) facility in East Liverpool, Ohio. This review was requested by community and environmental groups in January 2000, and the request was supported by CEQ. The Ombudsman's preliminary report recommends that the facility temporarily cease operations, that a re-test of the trial burn or a new trial burn be conducted, and that this new data be incorporated into a risk assessment for the facility. The Vice President has strongly urged the EPA to take swift action to fulfil the Ombudsman's recommendations. EPA is continuing to look into the matter, and will take all steps to protect the public, including an order to cease operations at WTI if necessary. An EPA Emergency Response Team is on the ground in Ohio taking soil and air samples to determine whether there is any environmental or public health risk being posed by the facility.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROGER BALLENTINE 

RE: OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES WEEKLY

Climate ChangePress, Science and Industry

The earth's average surface temperature will increase between 2.7 and 10.4 degrees Fahrenheit by 2100 if greenhouse emissions are not curtailed, according to the draft report from the U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, *The New York Times* and others reported (10/26). The new study, due to be released next year but leaked this week, is the product of the largest and most respected assembly of climate experts from around the world. While the IPCC's last report in 1995 suggested a role of human activity in global warming (and led to the Kyoto negotiations), this report considerably upgrades that conclusion, finding that human activity has "contributed substantially" to global warming.

* [More than a quarter of the world's coral reefs have been destroyed by global warming and water pollution, and most remaining reefs could be dead in 20 years, leading Australian researchers told the Ninth International Coral Reef Symposium in Bali, *AP* and others reported (10/23). Oceanographers found the El Nino weather patterns that raised temperatures six degrees Fahrenheit in recent years did enormous damage to the reefs, and warned even absent those patterns global warming poses a serious threat to reefs worldwide.

Daimler Chrysler announced that by 2005, 15 percent of its popular Durango sports utility vehicles will use gasoline-electric hybrid power technology developed in part under PNGV. The new vehicles will offer a 20 percent improvement in fuel economy, *AP* and others reported (10/23).

Prime Minister Tony Blair pledged this week to put environmental issues "back at heart of politics" and dismissed critics who said his government has abandoned the green agenda, *Reuters* and others reported (10/25). Speaking to businessmen and environmentalists, Blair announced plans to spend tens of millions of pounds on projects to develop energy-saving technology, promote renewable energy and recycle more of Britain's waste.

The Kyoto Protocol

We are working to develop Administration-wide consensus on each of the remaining issues to be addressed at COP-6, including the rules and guidelines for the flexibility mechanisms, the type and amount of sinks credits available to the U.S. and other countries, compliance mechanism options, and the several issues involving developing countries. The early release of the IPCC report will undoubtedly add urgency to the atmosphere of the negotiations.

Legislative

In the Commerce, Justice, State Department Appropriations Bill, the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) received just \$16.5 million of a requested \$67.7 million in funding for the Office of Global Programs. In a separate but related account, NOAA requested \$7 million for a climate modeling computer contract with a Princeton lab, and received just \$4 million; NOAA is concerned about the fate of this contract. For the U.S. Global Change Program climate initiative, NOAA received \$13 million -- less than half its \$28 million request. The Foreign Operations Appropriations Bill contained \$108 million for the Global Environment Facility (GEF) -- more than three times last year's level. However, the bill allocated only \$500,000 to our \$207 million balance of arrears.

cc: John Podesta
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: NEAL LANE *neal*
CC: JOHN PODESTA
SUBJECT: OSTP WEEKLY REPORT

Morale at the Weapons Labs

The week of October 9, I spent several days at Los Alamos and Sandia. My observations agree with those of Lee Hamilton and Howard Baker. They recently reported to you and Secretary Richardson that demoralization at Los Alamos must be reversed "before it further undermines the ability of that institution... to continue to make its vital contributions to our national security."

Los Alamos has been hit the hardest, with the Wen Ho Lee case, the fire, and the hard drive incident. But all the weapons labs bear the burden of hyperventilated press coverage, sensationalized congressional hearings, ill-conceived legislation, and a plethora of new regulations and security directives. The result is a siege mentality. Retention is a serious problem. Most of the technical staff I spoke with in Los Alamos's weapons division are actively seeking new jobs; only the difficulty that senior nuclear weapons designers find in transferring skills to the private sector keeps the attrition rate from being even worse.

X Congress has just acted to worsen the situation by greatly expanding the DOE polygraph program. The net result will almost certainly be reduced scientific quality. DOE is aware of the morale problem, and Secretary Richardson has just empanelled a Commission, chaired by John Hamre, to take a comprehensive look, over the next 18 months, at maintaining the labs' scientific mission while still maintaining necessary security standards. I strongly support this Commission, which should recommend steps to preserve the labs' scientific capabilities. I will, of course, continue to monitor the situation.

NSF Increase Largest Ever

The VA/HUD Appropriations bill that you signed today includes the largest dollar increase in the history of the National Science Foundation. Although the \$529 million (14%) increase falls \$146 million short of your request to *double* the largest dollar increase in their history, the increase is widely viewed throughout the science and university communities as an Administration victory. It has been told to me on numerous occasions that NSF would not have received the support they have this year if not for your strong leadership and endorsement of the importance of S&T to the nation.

Young Researchers Honored

On Tuesday I presented your Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE). The award, established in 1996, is the highest honor bestowed by the United States government on young scientists and engineers at the outset of their independent research careers. Fifty-nine individuals received research grants to further their studies in support of critical government missions.

Panel Says Warming Is Worse Than Previously Believed

Yesterday and today there were major media (TV and newspaper) stories on the draft findings of the IPCC (Intergovernmental Report on Climate Change). The report concludes that man-made pollution has "contributed substantially" to global warming and the earth is likely to get a lot hotter than previously predicted. Some may argue that a "leak" at this stage is politically motivated. Yet, the State Department received its review copy late Wednesday and no broader distribution occurred. All lead authors, accredited NGOs, and 110 governments received copies at the same time, so it's unclear how the press got their information.

The IPCC conclusions are expected to widely influence climate debate over the next decade. It is the first full-scale review and update of the state of climate science since 1995, when the same panel concluded there is "a discernible human influence" on the earth's climate. The panel's new business as usual scenario projects increases in the earth's average surface temperatures from 3-11 degrees F by the end of this century, substantially more than the previous estimate of 2-6 degrees F in its report five years ago.

This report, which has already gone through two reviews, is currently in final Government review. I recommend against an official statement about the specific findings at this time. The results are unlikely to change, but the report will not be final until it is accepted next year in a formal intergovernmental meeting.

NASAs Unveils New Mars Strategy

Wednesday NASA released its plans for an incrementally more aggressive program of robotic exploration of Mars over the next two decades. NASA worked with scientists across the U.S. and around the world to define and prioritize science goals and objectives focused on "following the water" to find out whether life ever existed on Mars. NASA plans to launch the Odyssey 2001 orbiter to Mars next year, followed by a pair of twin landers and rovers at the next opportunity in 2003. Then, in 2005 NASA will send a much more capable orbiter to take photos of features on Mars that will clearly show objects as small as baseballs. Though the timing will depend on budgets, NASA also plans to cooperate with French and Italian partners to send a radar mapper and a high-capacity communication satellite to Mars, in advance of even more complex robotic missions to return samples of Martian rock and soil for analysis on Earth in the next decade.



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MEMORANDUM

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TO: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: LORETTA UCELLI
STEPHANIE CUTTER

RE: Communications Weekly Report

Overview

This week, through events and other message vehicles, we pushed out the message that you are committed to working with Congress to finish the budget – investing in the nation's priorities, especially education, health care and tax relief for America's families. Also this week, you conveyed your leadership in protecting our communities from drunk driving, promoting free trade, pursuing an economic strategy that has given America the largest surplus ever, and working on behalf of Americans with disabilities. In your weekly radio address, you announced the signing of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Prevention Act of 2000, which will reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act and combat trafficking in persons – demonstrating your commitment to protecting women from domestic violence and human rights abuses.

Next week, as the budget process continues, we will continue to highlight your leadership in ensuring that Congress finishes its work on issues vital to America's future, such as an increase in the minimum wage, investments in education and health care, tax relief for middle class families, equal pay for women, hate crimes legislation and a meaningful Patients Bill of Rights. As we approach Election Day, our message will pivot toward focusing the American people on the importance of participating in the democratic process by casting their vote.

Sunday Church Services

On Sunday, you will attend church services at Shilo Baptist Church in Washington, DC and Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA to speak to predominantly African American congregations about the importance of voter participation and your Administration's accomplishments in the African American community.

Environmental Bill Signings

On Monday, joined by key Members of Congress, Secretary Babbitt, environmentalists and others, you will sign two important environmental legislative measures. The first, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act, will provide \$1 billion for rural communities historically dependent on federal timber sales to hire teachers, improve schools, maintain rural roads and promote stewardship of forest ecosystems – building on your Administration's commitment to rural communities and improving the management of our national forests. The second bill, Steens Mountain Wilderness Area and Steens Mountain Cooperative Management Protection Act, will protect 175,000 acres of magnificent mountain country in southeastern Oregon. Nearly a half-million acres have also been set aside for cooperative management by an advisory council of local ranchers, conservationists and recreational users. We will release a White House photo of the signing, press paper and a taped radio actuality in key media markets.

Department of Agriculture Bill

We are working with Legislative Affairs, Scheduling and others to determine an appropriate method to sign the Department of Agriculture appropriations bill next week. In conjunction with the signing, we will release a taped radio actuality in key media markets, including the Farm Radio Network, to highlight how this bill will benefit America's farmers. We are also working with the Press Office to encourage interest by specialty agricultural press.

Budget and Congressional Activity

We are holding time on Monday and Wednesday for statements to play into congressional activity on the budget.

African American Ministers Reception

On Monday, you will host a reception at the White House for African American religious leaders from across the nation to highlight the progress made in the last eight years in the African American community and to discuss what is at stake in the election.

Pre-Election Activity

We are working with Political Affairs, the Press Office and others to plan your participation in a number of events running up to the election in various cities across the nation, such as Louisville, Kentucky, Oakland and Los Angeles, California and possibly others to urge Americans to participate in the democratic process by voting in this Presidential Election.

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200th Anniversary of the White House

On Wednesday, November 1, the 200th anniversary of the White House, you will participate in an event with David McCullough, the Pulitzer Prize-winning historian, and others to celebrate one of America's most notable historical landmarks. November 1 is the 200th anniversary of President John Adams' arrival at the White House as the first President to reside within its walls. As part of the celebration, a reenactment of President Adams' arrival, with full horse and carriage and appropriate attire, will occur following your remarks. This event will kick off a month-long celebration and demonstrate the importance of preserving and celebrating America's cultural and historical treasures.

Post Election Strategy

We are continuing to work with all White House offices on post election materials that highlight the massive transformation that has occurred across the nation and throughout the world over the last 8 years as a result of your leadership. The goal is to complete these materials by mid-November, in time to influence anticipated, retrospective articles and stories. These materials will include a catalogue of stories of "real people" whose lives have improved as a result of a Clinton/Gore initiative; a profile of how the average American family is better off today than in 1992; a chronology of key legislative and executive order milestones, and fact sheets on signature issues – such as fighting crime, protecting the environment, and growing the economy – demonstrating the significant progress made under your leadership.

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October 28, 2000

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: BOB J. NASH, ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF PRESIDENTIAL PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: OFFICE OF PRESIDENTIAL PERSONNEL WEEKLY REPORT
ENDING October 28, 2000

NEW ISSUES

Doris Meissner, INS

Doris Meissner is resigning November 13. Janet Reno and Doris Meissner would like you to appoint May Ann Wyrsh as the Acting Commissioner. She is a career employee and is the principal deputy. We are working with the Vice President's office and Counsel's office to see if we can find an acting deputy who is a political employee.

Presidential Transition Act of 2000

We are working with Deputy Chief of Staff, GSA, OPM and Counsel's office on having a preliminary discussion on the implementation of the Act with interested outside parties who supported HR 4931. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31, 2000.

Commission on Workers, Communities and Economic Change in the New Economy

We are working with the NEC on the list of candidates for this new commission. We hope to have a decision memo for you after the NEC sends us the names they want.

Status of PAS Nominees Pending Before the Senate

Of our 222 PAS nominees currently pending before the Senate, the breakdown between Republicans and Democrats is shown on the chart on page 3. (* Some of the nominees, such as judges and U.S. Marshalls do not identify a party and therefore are not represented in the chart on the next page.)

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Status of PAS (Party Identified) Nominees Pending Before the Senate

Pending Before the Senate	<u>Republicans</u>	<u>Democrats</u>
Total Number of Nominees*	22	148
Number of Nominees for Part-time Boards/Commissions	15	66
Number of Nominees for Full-time Positions*	7	82
Number of Nominees on the Executive Calendar*	3	40

ONGOING ISSUES**History of Confirmations and Recess Appointments**

Our recent record of recess appointments is displayed below. Notices those years with an asterisk are election years and the percentages are extremely low.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Percentage Confirmed</u>
1995	71%
1996*	45%
1997	75%
1998	71%
1999	66%
2000*	49% (to date)

Given that the Republican controlled Senate has only confirmed **49 %** of our nominees, I am have been discussing with the Chief of Staff, Legislative Affairs and Counsel's office the idea of recess appointing a **significant** number of our nominees. The previous and current recess appointment statistics are below.

<u>Administration</u>	<u>Recess Appointments Done</u>	<u>Years in Office</u>
Carter	69	4 years
<u>Reagan</u>	239	8 years
Bush	78	4 years
<u>Clinton</u>	85	almost 8 years

Key Individuals Approved by the President and sent to the desk of the Executive Clerk for Appointment this Week:

- Jose R. Rodriguez, Member, President's Committee on Mental Retardation
- Jeffrey Akaka, Member, President's Committee on Mental Retardation
- Glenn Fujiura, Member, President's Committee on Mental Retardation
- Diane J. Peavey, Kennedy Center Advisory Committee
- Joseph Halfon, Commission for the Preservation for America's Heritage Abroad
- Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., Personal Rank of Ambassador, Head of the United States Delegation to the Inter-American Council for Integral Development, Department of State
- Alfred R. Berkeley, III, National Infrastructure Assurance Council
- Robert L. Mallett, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Jacob J. Lew, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Alexis M. Herman, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Williams S. Cohen, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Madeleine Korbel Albright, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- David C. Mowery, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Ann Roell Markusen, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Phillip M. Condit, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Vance Coffman, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- R. Thomas Buffenbarger, Member, National Commission on the Use of Offsets in the Defense Trade
- Chris Coalvin, Member, National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

Key Nominations sent to the Executive Clerk for Delivery to the Senate this Week:

- Isaac C. Hunt, Jr., Member, Securities and Exchange Commission
- Kenneth Lee Smith, Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Park, Department of Interior
- Gerald Segal, Member, National Council on Disability
- Maria Otero, Member, U.S. Institute of Peace
- George "Buddy" Darden, Member, Overseas Private Investment Corporation
- James Dorskind, General Counsel, Department of Commerce
- S. Elizabeth Gibson, U.S. District Court of Appeals for the Fourth (4th) Circuit
- Lois N. Epstein, Member, Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

Key Confirmations by the Senate this Week:

- Troy Hamilton Cribb, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce
- Thomas R. Savings, Member, Bd. Of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund
- John L. Palmer, Member, Bd. Of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund
- Gerald Shea, Member, Social Security Advisory Board
- Mark Weinberger, Member, Social Security Advisory Board
- Joel Gerber, VA to be a Judge on the US Tax Court
- Stephen J. Swift, VA, to be a Judge on the US Tax Court
- Marc Nathanson, Chair and Member, Broadcasting Board of Governors
- Edward Kaufman, Member, Broadcasting Board of Governors
- Norman Pattiz, Member, Broadcasting Board of Governors
- Tom Korologos, Member, Broadcasting Board of Governors
- Alberto Mora, Member, Broadcasting Board of Governors
- Robert Mark Ledbetter, Member, Broadcasting Board of Governors
- Mark Schneider, Director, Peace Corps
- Don Harrell, Member, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board
- Thomas Fink, Member, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board
- Carol Waller Pope, Member, Federal Labor Relations Authority
- Amy Comstock, Director, Office of Government Ethics
- Alan Kessler, Member Bd. of Governors, US Postal Service
- George Omas, Commissioner, Postal Rate Commission
- John Ramsey Johnson, DC, Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia
- Gerald Fisher, DC, Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia

Number of Individuals Approved by the President and Currently Being Vetted by the White House General Counsel's Office:

Presidential Appointees <u>with</u> Senate Confirmation (Full-time & Part-time)	62
Presidential Appointees <u>without</u> Senate Confirmation (Full-time & Part-time)	158
Total	220

Status of 2000 Nominations and Confirmations:
Status of All (Including Judges)

	Number
Current Nominations	222
Nominations on the Executive Calendar	53
Confirmed in 2000	211
Confirmation Percentage	49 %
Grand Total (Nominated or Confirmed)	433

Judges Only

	Number
Currently Nominated	45
Nominations on the Executive Calendar	0
Confirmed in 2000	43
Confirmation Percentage	49%
Grand Total (Nominated or Confirmed)	88

cc: John Podesta
 Maria Echaveste
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MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: Minyon Moore

SUBJECT: Weekly Political Report

WHITE HOUSE 2000

This week saw the Vice President move up in the polls and actually hold a small lead in one by week's end (Zogby: 45%-43%) as both candidates continued drives to ensure high turnouts among their base voters. The two parties are spending record amounts of money on GOTV -- more than \$60 million, which is nearly twice what it was in 1996, including non-party expenditures by groups such as unions and the NAACP. The Vice President is especially trying to energize African Americans and labor unionists, while Governor Bush is looking to energize social, religious and economic conservatives. The RNC is ponying up an unprecedented \$40-\$50 million for phoning, lit drops, and door to door campaigning, while the Democrats have set aside \$10-15 million for their efforts, which does not include the \$30-\$40 million the AFL-CIO is expected to contribute. Republicans can also count on Pat Robertson's 70 million Christian Coalition voter guides.

In the sprint to the finish, the Vice President is attacking Bush as lacking the experience to be President and being the front man for the rich and powerful, while at the same time trying to boost his own likability ratings, which were damaged among women in the debates. Bush, on the other hand, is focusing on branding the Vice President as untrustworthy and advocate of big government solutions that would jeopardize the country's continued prosperity.

Both candidates had to spend time this week solidifying states originally expected to be solidly in their camp, with the Vice President spending time in Tennessee and Arkansas and Governor Bush spending time in Florida.

Ralph Nader's campaign received a lot of attention this week because polls show Nader could tip the race to Bush, and Democrats mounted a massive drive to prevent defections to Nader by saying that a vote for Nader is really a vote for Bush.

Gore-Lieberman Campaign

The ad war analyzed. The two major candidates and their parties expect to be closely matched on TV in the last two weeks with each side spending about \$20 million. Governor Bush and the Republicans are airing six ads across a wide field of states while the Vice President and the Democrats are mixing at least 11 different ads among a similar list of markets. The Republicans are putting most of their money behind two ads released Tuesday in 22 states, which criticize the Vice President as an untrustworthy big spender who would jeopardize prosperity. Democrats are broadcasting in 21 states with ads that are specifically tailored for competitive states, such as Florida, West Virginia, Tennessee and Nevada.

The Vice President is rolling out a series of ads highlighting the nation's economic prosperity and how Governor Bush would jeopardize it, while Bush is emphasizing his leadership and portraying the Vice President as a threat to future growth. The RNC will likely spend about \$6 million a week, with the Bush campaign matching it, while the Vice President's campaign will spend about \$6.4 million and the DNC \$4.6 million.

Democrats question Bush's competence. On Sunday talk shows, four top Democrats questioned whether Governor Bush has the requisite experience to be president. On ABC's "This Week," Senator Carl Levin (D-MI) said that he had real questions about whether or not Bush has a grasp of complex issues. Senator Bob Kerry (D-NE) said on NBC's "Face the Nation," that experience matters and that the Texas state legislature was not the U.S. Congress. Jesse Jackson said on "Meet the Press" that Bush's resume starts at age 45 and: "Up to that time it was youthful indiscretion." Senator John Breaux (D-LA) on "Fox News Sunday" said that Bush seemed unsure of himself and was therefore "a person who is unacceptable to become president."

Vice President and Democrats works to energize base, win back women. This week Democrats made a number of appearances designed to energize their base. On Sunday, speaking in Dallas, the Vice President told African American ministers that he hoped they would urge their congregations to go out and vote on Election Day. The event was part of the Vice President's first trip to Texas since July and the Vice President was there to speak about cultural decay in America.

On Monday, speaking in Washington state at one of his biggest rallies, the Vice President repeated some of the populist themes of his campaign, denouncing profiteering and price gouging by big drug companies, the deficit spending of the Reagan-Bush years, and he criticized the environmental record of Governor Bush.

Also on Monday, the DNC released a 10-minute video on Governor Bush's Texas record that undercuts Bush's claims on health care, education, the environment and low-income neighborhoods. The tape was released at 90 news conferences in 23 states with high-profile Democrats headlining the events. For example, Senator Bradley led the news conference in Louisville, Kentucky.

On Tuesday, the Vice President attended a number of campaign events in Arkansas and Tennessee. In Arkansas, the Vice President refuted Governor Bush's charge that he wanted a bigger federal government by pointing out that under his watch the size of the government has shrunk, while on Bush's watch the size of Texas government has grown. The Vice President added that as president, he would not add to the number of people doing work for the federal government. In a Wednesday editorial, *The Washington Post* pointed out that under the Vice President's plan, measured as a share of the economy, federal spending would decline.

Also on Tuesday, in a speech at Notre Dame shown nationally on cable television, Senator Lieberman pledged to usher in a new moral awakening in America with the Vice President by using the presidential pulpit, not federal law, to infuse religion into public life and purge the pollution of our culture. Quoting from the Koran, the Torah and the New Testament, Lieberman tackled a subject polls show is high on voters' minds.

On Wednesday, speaking in Tennessee, the Vice President sharply criticized Governor Bush's education proposals in a major policy speech, charging that Bush would spend 20 times more on tax cuts for the wealthiest 1% of Americans than he would on elementary and secondary education, while the Vice President's plan would commit almost 10% of the projected budget surplus to education. Wednesday night, the Vice President was in Kansas City, talking about the nation's booming economy and describing Bush as a tool of the big drug companies.

RAND report casts doubt on Bush's education record. The Vice President was helped in his criticism of Bush's education plan by the release of a new report on education in Texas. On Tuesday, the non-partisan RAND Corporation released a study of Governor Bush's education record in Texas called the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test (TAAS) an unreliable measuring stick of student achievement.

The study also charged that its findings of dramatic improvements among Texas students were not borne out by the leading standardized national test, the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The report immediately gave Democrats ammunition and by Wednesday, the Vice President was citing it in his remarks.

Particularly damaging was the finding that Bush's claim that improvements in the TAAS showed a closing of the achievement gap between white and minority students in Texas was not borne out by the NAEP, which showed the gap is actually getting wider. The report speculated that the immense test-score gains on the TAAS by black and Latino students was probably the result of intensive drilling to pass the test and indeed, on Wednesday, some Texas teachers confirmed that has been happening.

The Bush campaign, thrown on the defensive, told the media that the RAND report contradicted an earlier RAND report that praised Texas for improvement in minority test scores and the Bush campaign questioned the timing of the release of the new report. RAND, however, defended both reports, saying they were not contradictory and had different scopes and methodologies. The first RAND study also dealt largely with the period before Bush came into office. Overnight, the DNC produced an ad on the issue which was released Thursday in Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Washington, calling the Texas education miracle a myth.

On Thursday, the Vice President campaigned in Wisconsin and Iowa and pointed to a new report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, a United Nations-sponsored panel of hundreds of scientists on global warming, to underscore the scope and urgency of his own environmental agenda. The report concluded that man-made pollution has "contributed substantially" to global warming and the earth is likely to get a lot hotter than previously predicted. Speaking to a crowd of 30,000 in Madison, Wisconsin the Vice President railed against big polluters and linked them to Governor Bush.

Democrats mount drive to blunt Nader threat. With polls showing that Ralph Nader (Green) could tip Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin to Governor Bush, Democrats mounted a major drive this week to woo back Nader enthusiasts. On Monday, the Vice President addressed the Nader threat by telling reporters: "My task is not to tell those people [the voters] that a vote for Nader is a vote for Bush. That may be true, but my task is to convince them to vote enthusiastically for me and what I represent." And in Ohio, the Vice President said he supported shutting down a controversial hazardous waste incinerator, which for months Greenpeace and local activists have been urging him to do.

In addition, the DNC and its allies in the labor, environmental and women's movements organized an aggressive campaign in swing states to dissuade liberal voters from voting for Nader. In the Pacific Northwest, the League of Conservation Voters started running radio ads asserting that voting for Nader is tantamount to voting for Bush. In Ohio, the state Democratic Party began flooding college campuses with leaflets urging students not to waste their votes on Nader. In Wisconsin, the Service Employees International Union dispatched hundreds of organizers to implore its 12,000 state members to vote Democratic, not Green. The DNC organized an array of prominent liberals, including Senators Paul Wellstone (D-MN) and Edward Kennedy (D-MA), Jesse Jackson, Gloria Steinem and Robert Redford to stump for Gore in Nader strongholds such as Eugene Oregon; Madison, Wisconsin; and Seattle, Washington.

NARAL hit the airwaves against Nader on Thursday with a \$500,000 ad buy in Oregon, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The text of their ad: "If you're thinking about voting for Ralph Nader, please consider: This year, a 5-to-4 Supreme Court decision narrowly protected *Roe v. Wade*. A single vote saved a woman's right to choose. As President, George Bush would reverse the Court with anti-choice Justices Scalia and

Thomas in control. Bush's goal? Ending legal abortion. Voting for Ralph Nader helps elect George W. Bush. Before voting for Nader, consider the risk."

Friends of the Earth, which backed former Senator Bill Bradley in the primaries, placed newspaper ads in six states featuring a photograph of the Grand Canyon and the sentence "There is a Grand Canyon of difference between Bush and Gore."

Former members of Nader's Raiders who last week sent Nader a letter urging him to reconsider his campaign set up a Web site -- www.nadersraidersforgore.com -- to promote their cause. On Thursday, a *New York Times* editorial chided Nader's prankishness," calling it a disservice to the electorate. In its November 6 edition, *The New Republic* blasted Nader, saying: "Naderism represents the emotional satisfaction of the American left at the expense of the social and economic satisfaction of women, blacks, gays, and poor people in America."

The Republican Leadership Council, hoping to benefit from the Nader situation, will start airing a TV ad showing Nader attacking the Vice President on Monday. The ads will air in Washington, Oregon and Wisconsin, and the RLC plans to spend more than \$100,000 on them at first and raise more over the weekend. The ads are based on a speech Nader gave on October 24 at the National Press Club in which he attacked both the Vice President and Governor Bush -- though the attacks on Bush were cut from the ad. (For more on Nader, see "Other Campaign News," below.)

Two senior Cabinet officials weigh into presidential campaign. This week, in a move unusual for senior Cabinet officials, the Secretaries of State and Treasury, both criticized Governor Bush's proposals. Last Friday, Condoleezza Rice, national security aide to Governor Bush said that if Bush were elected president, he would tell NATO that the United States would no longer participate in peacekeeping in the Balkans. The Vice President and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright immediately pounced on the proposal, saying that it was risky and that even voicing such an idea just as elections approach in Kosovo, Bosnia, and Serbia was destabilizing. The Vice President said the proposal was "breathtakingly short-sighted and uninformed," and Democrats used Rice's announcement to raise doubts about Bush's qualifications to be president. Editorial writers in *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post* also criticized Rice's proposal.

On Tuesday, Treasury Secretary Larry Summers criticized Governor Bush's Social Security proposals, saying that the Bush plan represents a fundamental misunderstanding of the system. Bush's plan, he said, would require either large cuts in guaranteed benefits or an infusion of billions of dollars of new revenue. Summers said that under the Bush plan the Social Security trust fund would be fully depleted by the time someone who is now 42 retires. Summers also said that under Bush's tax cut and his Social Security plans, there would not be enough money for debt reduction. On Thursday, the American Academy of Actuaries, a respected non-partisan organization of financial and statistical experts, agreed with Summers, saying that Bush's plan would make it all but impossible to eliminate the national debt.

Vice President alternates with Bush on PBS. Starting on Wednesday and lasting through November 3, PBS is giving the Vice President and Governor Bush 2.5 minutes a night to address the public on topics of their own choosing following "The Newshour With Jim Lehrer." The two will alternate nights, with the Vice President starting on the first night and Governor Bush ending on the last night.

Fox News reports on Vice President's phone drive. On Wednesday, Fox News reported that the Vice President's campaign is using recorded phone messages to go under the radar screen of the national media and reach voters with claims that do not have to be backed up with real evidence. Cited as examples of the calls was one by actor Ed Asner telling Senior Citizens that a vote for Bush is a vote against their

Social Security. Another, which featured a woman claiming that her husband would be alive today if Governor Bush had kept his promise to reform the supervision of nursing homes, was targeted at seniors in Michigan and other states.

Vice President says deal with Chernomyrdin was in America's best interests. On Thursday, on ABC's "Good Morning America," when asked to explain an allegedly secret arms deal with Russia's former Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, the Vice President responded: 1) the agreement stopped any new arms sales for the last five years; 2) Congress was briefed on the deal; 3) contracts that existed before the Gore-McCain law was passed and which did not include advanced weaponry, were allowed to be completed; and 4) "This understanding has been helpful to our country and to the peace and it stopped the reaching of any new agreements between Russia and Iran."

Lieberman to stay in Senate race. On Thursday, Senator Lieberman said that he will stay in the race for U.S. Senator in Connecticut simultaneously while running for Vice President. Friday was the deadline for getting off the ballot and making way for another candidate. Lieberman said that since absentee votes have already been cast, he did not think it was fair to leave the race now. If Lieberman wins both the Senate race and the Vice Presidency, it will fall to Republican Governor John G. Rowland to appoint a successor to serve until the next statewide election in 2002. Democrats in charge of the legislature have said they would pass a bill calling for a special election, but Rowland said he would veto it.

Vice President gets 87% of African American vote. According to a poll conducted for the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, when leaners are included, Governor Bush gets 11% of the African American vote and the Vice President gets 87%, which is higher than the President got in 1996, the Center's senior analyst said.

Poll shows Vice President has not yet won the economic prosperity issue. According to a *Washington Post/Kaiser/Harvard* poll conducted October 12-19, while two-thirds of respondents say they are benefiting from the booming economy, they do not give the Vice President much credit for it and judge him better at handling the future economy only 46%-42% over Governor Bush. Respondents rated the Vice President superior on helping the middle class, reducing the gap between rich and poor, protecting Social Security and paying down the debt. But Bush was rated better at holding down taxes, keeping American jobs from moving overseas and helping to keep the stock market rising. And even when informed of the particulars of Bush's plan to privatize part of Social Security, 56% of respondents preferred it.

DNC, RNC target similar states with transferred funds. FEC reports include the following distribution of funds from the DNC and the RNC to state parties:

<u>State</u>	<u>DNC</u>	<u>RNC</u>
Florida	\$480,000	\$3.1 million
Pennsylvania	\$2 million	\$2.4 million
Ohio	\$2.1 million	\$1.9 million
Michigan	\$1.8 million	\$1.6million
Missouri	\$690,000	\$1.9 million
Oregon	\$720,000	\$1.2 million
Washington	\$1.1 million	\$1.4 million
Wisconsin	\$740,000	\$990,000
Illinois	\$280,000	\$840,000
Kentucky	--	\$830,000
Louisiana	\$670,000	\$580,000

Iowa	\$550,000	\$580,000
Georgia	--	\$780,000
Indiana	--	\$710,000
Arkansas	\$340,000	\$650,000
North Carolina	\$290,000	\$620,000
Texas	\$10,000	\$580,000
California	\$450,000	\$240,000
Tennessee	\$200,000	\$120,000

Vice President will appear on the "Queen Latifah" show. The Vice President will appear on the "Queen Latifah" show next Wednesday. The town-hall style interview was taped before an audience of students aged 18-24 and will deal with issues of interest younger voters and women.

Bush-Cheney Campaign

Bush points to controversial consumer opponent as example of his bipartisanship. Governor Bush's introduction last week of Hugo Berlanga -- a Democrat who once chaired the House Public Health Committee in the Texas legislature -- as an example of his bipartisan approach to governing raised eyebrows. Berlanga, now a lobbyist representing health care interests before the very committee he once chaired, successfully led the effort, with Bush's support, to make it more difficult for Texas doctors to prescribe a cheaper generic version of the popular blood-thinning drug, Coumadin.

McCain joins Bush in Maine after missing New Hampshire appearance. Last Friday, Senator McCain stumped in Maine with Governor Bush, but he missed what was supposed to be a unity rally in New Hampshire with Bush because of food poisoning.

Sister of James Byrd attacks Bush. On Sunday, in an address to NAACP members in Michigan, Louvon Harris, the sister of James Byrd, who was dragged to death by white supremacists in Texas, urged African Americans to vote against Governor Bush because of his reluctance to support hate crimes legislation. The NAACP has made an ad showing her criticizing Bush for this and it has become so controversial that Senator Bob Kerry (D) has called for its removal. On Thursday, Kerry said: "I think the NAACP should take the ad down. I think they're doing themselves a disservice. I think they are not advancing the cause of hate crimes legislation and it's likely they're not helping the Vice President, either...I think it's racially divisive and it's most unfortunate because they use the daughter of Mr. Byrd in that ad." Jesse Jackson (D) and Rep. Albert Wynn (D) defended the ad. Jackson said: "It was quite dramatic, but the fact of the matter is that when James Byrd was lynched in Texas, Senator Hutchinson came to the funeral; Bush did not. He missed a great moment to offer some moral leadership." Rep. Wynn said: "There's no race baiting. The fact of the matter is he was asked a direct question about hate crimes legislation and he was very evasive about it. He has not come out for hate crimes legislation."

Bush visits swing states, shores up Florida. On Monday, Governor Bush campaigned in Kansas City, Missouri, and called the Vice President the "obstacle in chief." Bush also said his tax plan was superior to the Vice President's because the latter's had too many conditions in it for receiving a cut.

On Tuesday, Bush was in Illinois and Tennessee pushing his tax cut plan and his philosophy for smaller government. Also on Tuesday, five GOP governors toured Little Rock, saying that Bush was more trustworthy than the Vice President, that Bush would delegate more authority to the states, and that Bush places his faith in the American people while the Vice President places his faith in government.

By Tuesday evening Bush was in Florida for a rally and on Wednesday he did a one-day bus tour of Central Florida (Daytona Beach, Orlando and Tampa) with his brother, Governor Jeb Bush. Senator

McCain also accompanied Bush and said that the Cole tragedy was proof that stronger military leadership was necessary.

On Thursday, speaking in Pittsburgh and accompanied by Colin Powell and Governor Tom Ridge, Bush promised a "responsibility era," and did what he said he would not do, go negative on the Vice President. Bush said if the Vice President won the election, it would continue the bitter, negative tone that has almost destroyed bipartisanship in Washington.

Bush to visit California. According to a Bush campaign news release, Governor Bush will visit California on Monday and Tuesday with Senator McCain, where they will make stops in Burbank, Fresno, and Santa Barbara. The Bush campaign also said it would spend \$1.5 million over the next week to buy time in at least four markets, including Los Angeles and San Francisco. This is on top of \$1.5 million being spent weekly by the GOP. On Monday, the campaign will launch a Spanish language ad in Los Angeles.

Former President Bush campaigns in Michigan and Pennsylvania. On Monday, former President George Bush was in Michigan campaigning for his son. He accused the Vice President of favoring more regulation of industry and said the Administration failed to hold together the international coalition that won the Gulf War.

Riordan announces Hispanic business leaders endorsement of Bush. On Wednesday, Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan (R) joined Hector Barreto, co-chair of California Bush-Cheney 2000 and vice chair of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, to announce the endorsement of Governor Bush by more than 400 Latino business leaders from throughout the United States.

Bush faces new funeral home allegations. Governor Bush is facing new questions in an old investigation following the surprise testimony by Texas's former funeral commission chair Robert McNeil. Last year, Eliza May, another former chief funeral home regulator in Texas, charged she was fired for investigating a funeral conglomerate headed by major Bush contributor and family friend Robert Waltrip. In a sworn affidavit, Bush denied any knowledge of the probe and said he had no conversations with any funeral-commission officials about it. But according to McNeil, he had a conversation with Bush at a 1998 fundraiser in which Bush asked him: "Have you and Mr. Waltrip got your problems worked out?" McNeil replied: "We're still trying to work on that, Governor." Bush then said, "Do your job."

Justice Department probes Halliburton. Dick Cheney is on the defensive at the moment due to allegations of a classic contracting scam of his former employer to defraud the U.S. government of \$5-6 million. A spokesman for Halliburton Co., an oil field services company, said on Monday that its Brown & Root Services subsidiary is under criminal investigation by the Justice Department and a federal grand jury in Sacramento for allegations stemming from a 1997 whistleblower lawsuit. That suit alleged that Halliburton fraudulently overbilled the government during Fort Ord's conversion for civilian use.

Iacocca featured in Michigan GOP ad. In a 30-second commercial paid for by the Michigan GOP, former Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca says that the Vice President's "extreme ideas about cars could cost a lot of Michigan families their jobs." The ad is running only in Michigan and mostly in southwest Michigan.

Texas has not applied for conservation funds Bush pledged to expand. While he said in the second presidential debate that he had a plan to expand a federal conservation fund, Texas is one of three states which has not applied for its share of that same Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Bush made \$1.6 million last year. According to tax forms that Governor Bush recently made available, the Bushes reported an income of \$1,610,400 last year and paid \$449,827 (27.9%) in federal income taxes. Bush also received a \$130,000 advance on his book "A Charge to Keep," but he gave the money to Boys and Girls Clubs. The Bushes also donated \$210,165 to charity. While the Governor's salary is \$115,345 a year, Bush relinquished pay for those days he was on the road campaigning.

Other Campaign News

Nader campaign running full steam. On Thursday, in an attempt to head off defections, the Nader campaign ran full-page advertisements in the national editions of 12 papers, including:

The New York Times
The Boston Phoenix
The Austin Chronicle
The Austin Statesman-American

The Village Voice
The Los Angeles Times
The San Francisco Chronicle
The San Francisco Bay Guardian

The Boston Globe
Los Angeles Weekly
The San Francisco Examiner
The Boulder (CO) Camera

The ad included a headline, "Why Voting for Ralph Nader is the Smartest Thing You'll Ever Do," as well as a section, "And Don't Worry, a Vote for Nader is not a Vote for Bush." In the past month, Nader rallies have drawn no fewer than 1,000 people, and his "super rallies," including those held in Oakland, Minneapolis, Seattle, Boston, Chicago, New York and Portland, Oregon have drawn more than 10,000. On Wednesday, in a *Wall Street Journal* op-ed piece, Nader advocated Senator McCain's campaign finance reform bill, and denounced the nation's "apartheid economy" and the its trend toward a permanent corporate government.

Millionaire Greg MacArthur will spend over \$300,000 of his own money on ads urging a vote for Nader, but only in the states where it could not affect the outcome between the Vice President and Governor Bush. MacArthur recently pulled his ads in California because the race between the Vice President and Governor Bush was tightening. He said he would switch the ads to New York and Texas.

Finally, two alternative methods are being suggested for voters who want to vote for Nader but who do not want to help Bush win the election. The first is to wait until 7:30 PM on Election Day before voting in order to see what exit polls say about how close the election is in their state. The second involves vote-swapping. A Web site called Nadertrader.org urges persons wanting to vote for Nader to contact a friend who is going to vote for the Vice President in a strongly Bush-leaning state and swap votes.

Buchanan wants stronger border enforcement. On Thursday, in Bakersfield, California during his tour of California, Nevada, Arizona and Utah, Pat Buchanan (Reform) said he would clamp down on the flow of undocumented immigrants into the United States, drawing a link between America's immigration problems and crime. Saying the country is "overrun with illegal immigrants," Buchanan promoted beefing up America's borders by stretching a 2,000-mile-long wall between the United States and Mexico. Buchanan also faulted the Administration for allowing China to run over the United States in the name of trying to further foreign trade. He said the United States last year imported 40% of China's goods compared with the 1% in American goods China purchased. He also accused the Administration of running up a foreign trade deficit nearing \$100 billion.

Environmental group launches anti-Bush ad in Milwaukee. On Wednesday, the environmental group Clean Air Trust announced that it has begun airing a TV spot in Milwaukee, entitled "Smog," which urges Governor Bush to support strong national clean air standards for children.

Independent group ties Vice President to Sharpton and Hitler. A group calling itself Americans Against Hate has created a TV ad against the Vice President by associating him with the Reverend Al Sharpton. The ad says the Vice President and Sharpton had a secret meeting and questions whether they would have an unholy alliance if the Vice President becomes President. The ad has horror movie music and a picture of the Vice President that dissolves into Adolph Hitler and charges that Sharpton supports Hitler, rapists and cop killers. The ad was created by New Yorker Stephen Marks, a former Pat Buchanan staffer, and will air in Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee.

Remake of daisy commercial runs against the Vice President. A remake of the "Daisy" commercial – perhaps the most infamous of all political attack ads – is being shown in several states today, but the target this time is the Vice President, not Barry Goldwater. The commercial contends that because the Clinton-Gore Administration "sold" the nation's security "to Communist Red China in exchange for campaign contributions," China has "the ability to threaten our homes with long-range nuclear warheads." It then shows a girl, counting down as she plucks daisy petals. Her counting is then replaced by a countdown of a missile, which is followed by a nuclear bomb explosion. "Don't take a chance. Please vote Republican," then appears on the screen. A Texas-based nonprofit organization, Aretino Industries, paid for the new commercial, which will run in several closely contested states, including Ohio, Michigan, Missouri and Pennsylvania. Carey Cramer, a spokesman for the organization in McAllen, Texas, declined to identify any of its members or the source of its money. Cramer said the initial ad buy was for \$60,000, but that the group has raised \$500,000 to buy more time. On Friday afternoon, the Bush campaign called upon the secretive group to stop airing the ad.

Philadelphia teachers to strike. The Philadelphia Federation of Teachers (PFT) is expected to go on strike at the end of the school day on Friday, October 27. However, negotiations are expected to continue, with Rep. Bob Brady (D-PA) helping oversee the discussions between the union and Mayor Street. There is still a chance the strike will prove short-lived, as the PFT does not have much leverage in these negotiations. The sticking point between the two sides continues to be Mayor Street's insistence that teachers work a longer day. Street initially proposed an hour, while the union would go no higher than half an hour. Brady has a counter-proposal for an additional 45 minutes, but the union has not yet accepted it.

Although a strike would certainly not be good news going into the election, the Gore operatives on the ground do not view it as a fatal problem. Over 400 of the city's almost 1,800 polling places are located in schools. Earlier this week, the voting machines were sneaked into the schools ahead of schedule, and Brady says he has been assured by PFT President Ted Kirsch that they will not picket in front of polling places on Election Day.

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NRCC met with teamsters. Last week, National Republican Congressional Committee Chairman Tom Davis (VA) met with Teamsters President James Hoffa to ask for the union's support in nearly a dozen California races. While the request was largely rebuffed, Hoffa did agree to hold more talks with GOP lawmakers and he also donated \$10,000 to the NRCC.

Bush sends \$2 million to NRCC and NRSC. On Tuesday, the Bush campaign wired \$1 million in leftover primary campaign funds to both the NRCC and the NRSC, providing them with a crucial financial boost two weeks before the election. Up to now, Bush had been relatively inactive in trying to help congressional Republicans, holding no fundraisers for the House GOP and not signing a single direct-mail appeal on their behalf. As of September 30, Bush had \$5.1 million in leftover money that he was not allowed to spend once the primary season ended.

Pro-life group to begin independent expenditure campaign. On Wednesday, the Susan B. Anthony List announced it has raised \$1 million this election cycle and grown their membership list from 10,000 to over 54,000. The group has endorsed 22 pro-life candidates and is spending \$180,000 on GOTV mailings and radio ads for 7 Republican congressional candidates. The targeted candidates are: Jennifer Carroll (FL-03); Melissa Hart (PA-04); Linda Runbeck (MN-04); Ric Keller (FL-08); Mike Ferguson (NJ-07); Dennis Rehberg (MT); Mike Rogers (MI-08); as well as GOP gubernatorial candidate Judy Martz (MT).

Sierra Club involved in three open seat races. On Wednesday, the Sierra Club launched independent expenditure ads costing a total of \$300,000 for:

- OH-12: Columbus City Councilor Maryellen O'Shaughnessy (D)
- UT-02: Former Governor Scott Matheson's (D) son Jim Matheson (D)
- WA-02: Snohomish County Councilor Rick Larson (D)

Businesses put up \$30 million. In a dramatic escalation of their previous political spending, business groups including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Federation of Independent Businesses, and the Business Roundtable, are pumping \$30 million into advertising and GOTV efforts in a few dozen congressional and judicial races to blunt the efforts of organized labor. For example, in Los Angeles this week, 18 radio stations are running Chamber of Commerce ads lauding Rep. James Rogan (R-CA-27). In Lexington, Kentucky, the airwaves are saturated with ads from the Chamber and the Business Roundtable, all praising Rep. Ernie Fletcher (R-KY-08), a physician who opposed the Democratic patient's bill of rights legislation. In Michigan, the Chamber is spending \$50,000 a day lauding Senator Spencer Abraham (R).

AR-04: Third parties outspend Dickey and Ross. While Rep. Jay Dickey (R) has bought \$548,504 in ads in the Little Rock, Texarkana, Shreveport and Monroe, Louisiana media markets, groups such as Citizens for Better Medicare, the Business Roundtable and Citizens for Good Common Sense have spent at least \$798,908 on ads designed to help Dickey. State Rep. Mike Ross (D) has spent \$989,467 on TV ads, but he is also getting \$400,275 worth of anti-Dickey ads from the national AFL-CIO, \$121,020 in pro-Ross, anti-Dickey ads from the National Education Association, and \$14,548 in pro-Ross ads from the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

CA-15: Cuneen brochure is over the top. One of Assemblyman Jim Cuneen's (R) brochures attacking Assemblyman Mike Honda (D) talks about "Mike Honda's jail record." In reality, Honda's jail record refers to him being imprisoned by the U.S. government in a Japanese internment camp with his family during World War II. Governor Gray Davis (D), and Reps Anna Eshoo (CA-14) and Zoe Lofgren (CA-16) issued statements blasting Cuneen for insensitivity and desperate attacks. This week Honda's primary foe Bill Peacock (D) crossed party lines and endorsed Cuneen. Another primary foe, San Jose mayor Ron Gonzalez (D), endorsed Honda last week.

FL-22: Shaw up with second ad on Bloom ties with drug company. Convinced that state Rep. Elaine Bloom's (D) connection with a drug company accused of price fixing is hurting her politically, Rep. Clay Shaw (R) began broadcasting a new TV ad reminding voters of her involvement. The 30-second spot continues the criticism Shaw made of Bloom on this issue is an earlier ad about Bloom sitting on the board of Andrx, a company that a federal judge says accepted more than \$89 million to keep a cheaper generic competitor off the market. The second ad says that Bloom made \$2.4 million in stock and options while seniors paid higher drug prices.

OH-17: Traficant friend admits he lied to obstruct investigation. On Tuesday, Arthur D. Sugar, an Ohio contractor, admitted that he lied and attempted to obstruct a criminal investigation of Rep. James Traficant. The extent of Sugar's cooperation with prosecutors in exchange for the guilty pleas was unclear. The judge sealed his plea bargain agreement as well as other documents connected to the case. According to Sugar's indictment, he lied to a grand jury when he was questioned about instructing an employee to falsify billing records detailing work his firm did on Traficant's Ohio horse farm. Legal experts consider an indictment of Traficant before the election unlikely.

KY-08: Baesler runs emotional ad with gunshot victim. While the NRA has deluged this district with billboards, radio ads and direct mail on behalf of Rep. Ernie Fletcher (R), former Rep. Scotty Baesler (D) this week responded with a dramatic ad highlighting the shooting at Paducah's High School. The ad features Missy Jenkins, 18, who was paralyzed from the chest down after being shot three years ago, saying: "That day changed my life forever. We need strong leaders to take on the powerful gun lobby. That's why I'm asking you to vote for Scotty Baesler. Because enough is enough. And what happened to me I wouldn't want to happen to any other child in America." Baesler's office says it has been flooded with favorable calls about the ad.

KS-03: Internal Moore poll shows him with slight lead. Internal polls show Rep. Dennis Moore (D) leading 48%-41% in his race against Phill Kline (R). *The Kansas City Star*, the largest newspaper in the district, shows Moore winning by 40%-38%. The Moore campaign says that it is now concentrating on voter turnout, especially among African Americans in Wyandotte County, and the Congressman will hold a rally there on Saturday with Rep. John Lewis (GA-05). The President is also taping an African American phone call message that will be played in Wyandotte County. On Tuesday, Rep. Moore (D) signed two oversized checks totaling \$13.7 million for highway improvements in Wyandotte County. Moore said he sponsored the funding measures resulting in these funds, which were included in a federal transportation bill that the President signed into law on Monday.

The DCCC has filed an FEC complaint against Kline for accepting an illegal contribution from longtime GOP activist Dwight Sutherland Jr., who spent \$25,000 on radio ads and also contributed \$1,000 to Kline's campaign. The DCCC says there was illegal coordination on the ad but Sutherland maintains he made an independent contribution.

MD-08: Democratic candidate involves federal law for free airtime. Businessman Terry Lierman (D) may be the first candidate to use a provision of a federal law under which public radio and TV stations must give free, uncensored airtime to any federal candidate who wants it. But it may turn out not to help him because listeners are not used to hearing political ads on public stations and some of them do not like it. On October 23, Lierman started airing a 30-second ad on WAMU radio which is a testimonial by DCCC Chair Patrick Kennedy urging listeners to back Lierman to help Democrats take back the House. His opponent Rep. Connie Morella (R) said: "It may be legal but it's not right. This is public radio and it's a violation of the public trust." Meanwhile, because of the Lierman ad, House Telecommunications Subcommittee Chair Billy Tauzin (R-LA-03) is vowing to push for legislation that would prohibit public radio stations from airing political advertising.

NY-01: DCCC not sending any money to Seltzer. On Thursday, Rep. Michael Forbes (D), defeated last month in a primary by former librarian/attorney Regina Seltzer (D), turned over \$250,000 in unexpended funds to the DCCC and sent none of it to Seltzer. The DCCC declined to say where the money would go and whether any of it would go to Seltzer. New York Democratic Party Chair Judith Hope said she believes the decision "is based at least in part on pique that Seltzer was able to beat" Forbes who was heavily backed by Democrats in Washington. Seltzer's campaign declined to comment but said Seltzer has \$100,000 cash on hand. Hope said the New York Democratic Party spent \$35,000 on

Seltzer's campaign and is spending \$100,000 on issue ads. Seltzer's opponent, Brookhaven Supervisor Felix Grucci (R), by contrast, has \$300,000 on hand. *The New York Times* endorsed Seltzer, while Long Island *Newsday* endorsed Grucci.

U.S. SENATE 2000

MICHIGAN

Stabenow even with Abraham. After trailing Senator Spencer Abraham (R) by double digits for weeks, Rep. Debbie Stabenow (D) is now tied with him in one poll and only three points behind in another now that the Democrats have kicked in their GOTV ads and phone banks. According to a *Free Press/WXYZ*-TV poll conducted Monday through Wednesday, both candidates are tied 41%-41%, and according to *Detroit News/Mitchell* poll conducted October 9-13, Abraham leads 39%-36%, with a quarter of the voters undecided. On Tuesday, *The Detroit Free Press* endorsed Stabenow.

MINNESOTA

Dayton up 15 points on Grams. According to a St. Cloud University poll conducted October 14-24, 36% of respondents said they will definitely vote for former auditor Mark Dayton (D) and 12% said they were leaning toward him. Twenty-eight percent said they would definitely vote for Senator Rod Grams (R) and 5% said they were leaning toward him. Dayton's combined 48%-33% lead over Grams compares with a 49%-37% lead reported in a *Star Tribune* poll on October 21.

MISSOURI

Democrats hope Jean Carnahan will step up for party. Following the October 16 death of U.S. Senate candidate and Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan (D), current Missouri Governor Roger Wilson (D) announced on Tuesday that he would appoint Jean Carnahan to the Senate if her late husband wins the election. Mrs. Carnahan is spending this weekend cloistered away with her family to consider her decision, and unless she has a dramatic change of heart, is expected to announce on Monday that she will accept the position if appointed. While Mel Carnahan's campaign still has a sizable bankroll, the funds cannot be used to specifically support Jean Carnahan for the seat, but just to encourage people to vote for Mel.

Although they will not release numbers, both parties' internal polls show that posthumously Carnahan has shot up in the polls and now leads Senator Ashcroft (R) by as much as 5-12 points. On the off chance that Jean Carnahan declines the position, Robin Carnahan, the couple's daughter, might get the nod. Some Democrats point to state Auditor Claire McCaskill (D) as another possibility. Due to filing deadlines, Mel Carnahan's name must appear on the ballot on November 7, and there is argument on legal grounds as to how the vacancy should be filled. The Chairperson of the state GOP argues that Governor Wilson's proposal could be illegal because it could be a violation of the Hatch Act that bars the promise of employment or other benefit for political activity. Others point to differences between the Missouri constitution and the U.S. Constitution which affect the date by which a governor can make a replacement, with Republicans arguing one interpretation that would allow Jim Talent (R) to make the replacement, should he be elected governor. And finally, Missouri has never ruled on whether votes for a deceased candidate are nullities. St. Louis University political science professor Ken Warren notes that the Constitution requires a senator to be a citizen and a resident of a state, but Warren argues that a person who is dead is not a citizen or a resident of a state.

On Wednesday, Ashcroft formally went back on the campaign trail for the first time since Carnahan's death on October 16. On Thursday, former Senator John Danforth (R) came to his defense, a day after former Senator Tom Eagleton (D) said that if Ashcroft could not beat a dead man, he did not deserve to be in the Senate. Danforth appeared at a rally with Ashcroft that featured Barbara Bush and said that

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scrutiny of Ashcroft has gone too far. "It's not right to take the great loss of our state out on this good man," Danforth said referring to the negative reaction in the newspapers to a speech Ashcroft gave at a public school on Wednesday. The school's principal was surprised by the political nature of the speech, thinking that Ashcroft was going to just give a civics lesson. Ashcroft also appeared in a TV commercial recently, which has angered Carnahan supporters who pulled all of Carnahan's commercials off the air.

MONTANA

Polls show Schweitzer pulling even with Burns. Two polls show Whitefish rancher Brian Schweitzer (D) has completely closed the gap against Senator Conrad Burns (R) and the race is now a dead heat. A Montana State University-Billings poll conducted October 19-23 among registered voters showed Schweitzer leading Burns 43%-41%. A *Billings Gazette* poll conducted October 23-24 among registered voters shows Burns leading 45%-44%, with 10% undecided and 1% for Reform Party candidate Gary Lee.

On Monday, Schweitzer said that attempts by Senator Burns to link him to a federal pesticide smuggling case have crossed an ethical boundary. Schweitzer, who owns a farm in Eastern Montana as well as one in Whitefish, bought herbicide over the years from former Grain Growers Association President Larry Johnson, who is accused of smuggling Roundup herbicide into the United States from Canada. The common all-purpose herbicide is sold for less in Canada, but only the American version of Roundup is approved for use in this country. Burns' forces say Schweitzer must have known that he was buying a smuggled product, although they admit they have no proof of it.

NEBRASKA

On Sunday, the *Lincoln Journal Star*, Nebraska's second largest newspaper, endorsed former Governor Ben Nelson (D). A campaign poll conducted October 18-19 showed Nelson leading 49%-42%. The race has tightened since August when a *World Herald* poll showed Nelson leading 52%-32%. (Internal polls at that time showed the race 54%-39%.) Since then, the RNC has pumped \$1 million into the race.

NEW JERSEY

Endorsements and poll results buoy Franks campaign. After months of languishing in fundraising and in the polls, recent developments indicate Rep. Bob Franks (R) may give millionaire Jon Corzine (D) more of a race than previously thought. A Quinnipiac poll conducted October 18-23 among likely voters showed Corzine leading Franks 46%-41%. Furthermore, the poll showed 55% of the voters are bothered by the more than \$1 million a week Corzine is spending on his campaign.

The news prompted the NRSC to release \$600,000 to Franks to pay for commercials, meaning the long-lopsided race could appear an even match in its last few days. Furthermore, the Republican Leadership Council announced that it would pour \$250,000 into New York and Philadelphia television stations for ads already running that depict Corzine's proposals as excessively expensive. On Wednesday, Franks began running a new campaign commercial trumpeting his own role in balancing the federal budget and protecting Social Security.

On Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, the *Courier Post*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and *The New York Times*, respectively, endorsed Franks. On Thursday, the *New York Daily News* endorsed Corzine.

Empower the People, an independent committee that does not disclose its donors, also launched ads that promote Rep. Franks. The organization, founded by Jersey City Mayor Bret Schundler (R), produced the ads, which have Schundler talking about school choice. As pictures of Franks and Governor Bush appear on the screen, Schundler says: "I'm proud George Bush and Bob Franks support school choice. They

want to help parents fulfill their responsibilities to give their children the very best of starts." The \$150,000 ad buy will run for two weeks leading up to Election Day.

The Franks campaign caused a stir last week when it pointed out that Corzine has continued to pay Investigative Consultants International, a private investigation firm, since last year and the total paid is now at \$250,000. The use of private eyes has been a controversial point since Corzine admitted that his lawyers had paid \$200,00 to an investigation firm that produced dossiers on former Governor Jim Florio (D) and his staff. ICI insists that it is not investigating Franks but is providing security checks for Corzine's Newark office and is checking on the accuracy of information supplied by campaign contributors.

NEW YORK

Rep. Lazio spends much time upstate. Rep. Rick Lazio (R) has spent so much time Upstate New York recently -- 22 appearances there since his Senate campaign started -- that some Republicans are worried. As one GOP strategist put it, "He is spending an inordinate time for this late in Upstate New York, which prevents him from appealing to suburban voters." Lazio's relative physical absence from the metropolitan area is also costing him the "free media" that comes with television news coverage. Most suburban voters get their news from the New York City television stations, which means that they have not been seeing much of him.

Most conservative groups fail to make a dent in First Lady's race. Although they said they would pour \$35 million and probably more on the New York Senate race, so far conservative groups have spent nowhere near as much against the First Lady. The groups include Save our Senate, ConserveAmerica, Conservatives for Effective Leadership and the Emergency Committee to Stop Hillary Rodham Clinton. Of these, only the last has had any fundraising success. It had planned to collect \$9 million, and by September 30, it had taken in \$1.8 million.

Lazio attacks 1994 health care plan. Lazio has gone on the air with television and (this week) radio ads attacking the First Lady for her 1994 efforts at health care reform. The radio ads, tailored to individual markets by naming local hospitals, claim the plan would have put "one-seventh of our economy under government control" and would force large cuts for local providers. Meanwhile, on the campaign trail Lazio stood in front of a huge replica of a chart created in 1994 by Senator Arlen Specter (R) that depicted the plan as a massive maze that would be run by a "National Health Board." Lazio said that it "looks more like a map for the New York City subways than a health care plan" and claimed that "she has not really changed her vision." The First Lady's campaign responded by pointing to Lazio's support for Newt Gingrich's 1995 budget proposal that would have eliminated \$24.4 billion for New York hospitals and reduced Medicare and Medicaid financing.

VIRGINIA

Allen has made dent in Robb's veteran support. Despite the fact that Senator Chuck Robb (D) led Marines in Vietnam combat and in the Senate has specialized in foreign policy and defense policy, and that former Governor George Allen (R) never was in the military and has specialized in domestic matters, Allen has succeeded in wooing away some of Robb's military supporters. While defense is only a secondary concern for Virginia voters this year, among those who do rate it as their top concern, Allen's message that Robb has cast votes that undercut U.S. military strength has had some effect. On Tuesday, Robb said that the U.S. military was stretched too thin, but that the solution was not to pull back but rather to spend more money to support the missions.

Allen kicks off "Real People" tour. On Monday, Allen trotted out individual Virginians -- a convicted felon, the mother of a murder victim, a former welfare mother and teachers -- to demonstrate the supposed

successes of his term as governor. Allen flew about the state with seven people who said their lives had been influenced by Allen's policies. The tour hit each of the major media markets – Richmond, Alexandria, Norfolk and Roanoke. In addition, the Virginia GOP released another TV ad for Allen linking Robb to the President, this time on the issue of transportation problems.

On Tuesday, Senator Robb campaigned with NARAL head Kate Michelman to emphasize his difference with Allen over abortion rights. Robb cast Allen as someone who would work to overturn Roe v. Wade and ridiculed an Allen spot that says his approach to abortion would be one of reasonable moderation. Michelman said NARAL is planning a major GOTV effort for Robb and is contacting more than 40,000 female moderate Republican voters, mostly in Northern Virginia, stressing abortion issues. A separate abortion rights group has launched a \$550,000 TV ad campaign for Robb that features state Senator Emily Couric (D).

Robb also unveiled two new TV spots, one on Allen's environmental record and another designed to keep the electoral spotlight focussed on abortion.

STATE NEWS

ALABAMA

NAACP paying per voter registered. In Huntsville, the NAACP is paying \$3 for each new voter registered, and Alabama's Attorney General says the practice is legal. Offering cash for voter registration has been a long-standing practice in California, and in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, this year not only is the GOP paying people \$4 for each new Republican registered, they are paying \$8 if they can get a Democrat to re-register Republican.

ILLINOIS

Santos pleads guilty, resigns. On Friday, Chicago City Treasurer Miriam Santos (D) pleaded guilty to one count of mail fraud and resigned from office. The move comes only two weeks before her scheduled retrial on charges of mail fraud and attempted extortion. Her plea must still be accepted by the federal judge handling her case, and could happen as early as November 6. Santos also faces a \$1,000 fine and restitution of \$20,000. Instead of facing a prison sentence, she will be granted time served for the more than three months she spent in prison following her conviction by a federal jury in May 1999, according to prosecutors. She was convicted in May 1999, but the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the conviction on January 19 after Santos had already served a portion of her 40-month prison sentence.

The three-judge federal appeals court panel that threw out Santos' conviction cited a "veritable avalanche of errors" by the trial judge. Santos was originally convicted of cutting off a brokerage firm from city business because it had refused to contribute money to the Illinois Democratic Party on her behalf. After finding her guilty of five counts of mail fraud and one count of attempted extortion, members of Santos' jury pointed to one tape-recorded phone conversation in which Santos spoke to a broker at Fuji Securities. On the tape, jurors heard Santos, under pressure to raise funds for the state party, urging the broker to "belly up," and insisting, "this is not a choice."

MONTANA

O'Keefe puts another \$1.8 million into his campaign. On Monday, financial reports showed that gubernatorial candidate Mark O'Keefe (D) has added another \$1.8 million of his own money to his campaign, bringing the total he has contributed to \$2.2 million, or 75% of the cost of the campaign.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Lottery on the ballot in November. Ministers from various denominations across South Carolina are calling on their congregations to cast “no” votes in a lottery referendum on November 7. Voters will decide whether a state-supported lottery will be introduced to help finance South Carolina’s troubled public education system. The lottery, proposed by Governor Jim Hodges (D) during his 1998 election campaign, would pump \$150 million into the state’s education coffers within two years.

THE WEEK AHEAD

	POTUS	VPOTUS	FLOTUS	MEG
Saturday, October 28	GOTV conference calls and audio tapings in DC	Campaign events in Wilkes Barre PA, Washington, DC, and Minneapolis, MN	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	Campaign events in Wilkes Barre PA, Washington, DC, and Minneapolis, MN
Sunday, October 29	Speak at two churches in DC	Bus trip through Michigan	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	Bus trip through Michigan
Monday, October 30	Mayors conference call, Radio-a-thon, BET and Univision interviews, and ministers reception in DC	Bus trip through Wisconsin	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	Bus trip through Wisconsin
Tuesday, October 31	Rally in St. Louis, MO, and HRC dinner in NYC	Campaign events in Oregon, California and New Mexico (t)	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	Campaign events in Oregon, California and New Mexico (t)
Wednesday, November 1	Three GOTV conference calls, video tapings, and DNC dinner in DC, and DSCC dinner in No. VA	Campaign events in Orlando and Tampa, FL, and Scranton and Philadelphia, PA	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	
Thursday, November 2	GOTV rally and events for Cal Dooley (CA-20) in Los Angeles and event for Jane Harman (CA-36)	Campaign events in Philadelphia, PA, and Montgomery County, MD	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	Women's fly-around to Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa
Friday, November 3	Media interviews, reception for Gerrie Schipske (CA-38) in Los Angeles	TBD	Campaign events in NY (Cities TBD)	Women's fly-around to Chicago, IL, and Boca Raton, FL

POTUS J Approval Rating/Mood of Nation

Job Approval Rating	Poll/Date Conducted
58%/39%	Democracy Corps (10/24-25)
57%/40%	Voter.Com/Battleground (10/22-25)
61%/32%	<i>New York Times</i> /CBS News (10/18-21)
64%/30%	Fox News/Opinion Dynamics (10/18-19)

Generic House Ballot/Congress Job Approval

Democrat	Republican	Undecided/Other	Poll/Date Conducted
47%	42%	7%	Democracy Corps (10/24-25)
42%	39%	19%	Voter.Com/Battleground (10/22-25)
38%	38%	24%	<i>New York Times</i> /CBS News (10/18-21)
47%	43%	10%	<i>Newsweek</i> (10/18-20)

House Races

State	Candidate	Matchup	Fav/Unfav	Poll/Date Conducted
CA 27	Sen. Adam Schiff (D)	40%		<i>The Glendale News-Press</i> (Internal Poll) (10/19-22)
	Rep. Jim Rogan (R)	45%		
	Undecided	--		
	Sen. Adam Schiff (D)	47%		Schiff Campaign (10/11-12)
	Rep. Jim Rogan (R)	41%		
	Undecided	--		
FL 08 OPEN	Linda Chapin (D)	44%		<i>The Orlando Sentinel</i> /Mason Dixon (10/20-22)
	Atty. Ric Keller (R)	39%		
	Undecided	17%		
IL 10 OPEN	Rep. Lauren Beth Gash (D)	39%	40%/18%	<i>Chicago Tribune</i> /WGN-TV (10/15-17)
	Ex-Cos Mark Kirk (R)	44%	42%/16%	
	Undecided	17%		
MT OPEN	Nancy Keenan (D)	42%		<i>The Billings Gazette</i> /Montana State University (10/13-15)
	Fmr. Lt. Gov. Dennis Rehberg (R)	44%		
	James Tikalsky (Libertarian)	2%		
	Undecided	11%		
	Nancy Keenan (D)	39%		A&A Research of Kalispell (10/13-15)
	Fmr. Lt. Gov. Dennis Rehberg (R)	47%		
	James Tikalsky (Libertarian)	--		
	Undecided	13%		

Senate Races

State	Candidate	MatchUp	Fav/Unfav	Poll/Date Conducted
FL	State Ins. Comm. Bill Nelson (D)	42%	36%/15%	CBS News/ <i>New York Times</i> (10/22-24)
	Rep. Bill McCollum (R)	33%	30%/21%	
	Rep. Willie Logan (I)	7%	6%/8%	
	Undecided	20%		
	State Ins. Comm. Bill Nelson (D)	43%		Ft. Lauderdale <i>Sun-Sentinel</i> (10/17-23)
	Rep. Bill McCollum (R)	40%		
	Rep. Willie Logan (I)	4%		
	Undecided	13%		
MI	Rep. Debbie Stabenow (D)	42%		Democratic National Committee (10/17-19)
	Sen. Spencer Abraham (R)	46%		
	Undecided	12%		
	Rep. Debbie Stabenow (D)	40%		<i>The Detroit Free Press</i> (10/16-19)
	Sen. Spencer Abraham (R)	47%		
	Undecided	13%		
	Rep. Debbie Stabenow (D)	41%		<i>Detroit Free Press</i> /WXYZ-TV (10/23-26)
	Sen. Spencer Abraham (R)	41%		
	Undecided	17%		
	Rep. Debbie Stabenow (D)	36%		<i>Detroit News</i> (10/23-25)
	Sen. Spencer Abraham (R)	39%		
	Undecided	25%		
MN	Fmr. Auditor Mark Dayton (D)	48%		<i>St. Paul Pioneer Press</i> (10/14-24)
	Sen. Rod Grams (R)	33%		
	James Gibson (I)	6%		
	Undecided	--		
	Fmr. Auditor Mark Dayton (D)	49%		<i>Minneapolis Star Tribune</i> (10/14-18)
	Sen. Rod Grams (R)	37%		
	James Gibson (I)	2%		
	Undecided	12%		
MO	Gov. Mel Carnahan (D)	46%		<i>Kansas City Star</i> /Mason-Dixon (10/24-25)
	Sen. John Ashcroft (R)	46%	46%/32%	
	Undecided	1%		
MT	Brian Schweitzer (D)	40%		A&A Research of Kalispell (10/13-15)
	Sen. Conrad Burns (R)	48%		
	Gary Lee (Reform Party)	1%		
	Undecided	11%		

	n Schweitzer (D)	43%		Montana State University-Billings (10/19-23)
	Sen. Conrad Burns (R)	41%		
	Gary Lee (Reform Party)	--		
	Undecided	10%		
	Brian Schweitzer (D)	44%		<i>The Billings Gazette</i> /Mason Dixon (10/23-24)
	Sen. Conrad Burns (R)	45%		
	Gary Lee (Reform Party)	1%		
	Undecided	10%		
NJ	Jon Corzine (D)	46%	30%/26%	Quinnipiac University (10/18-23)
	Rep. Bob Franks (R)	41%	26%/16%	
	Undecided	13%		
NY	First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton (D)	50%	49%/38%	<i>NY1 News</i> (10/23-25)
	Rep. Rick Lazio (R-02)	43%	44%/31%	
	Undecided	7%		
PA	Rep. Ron Klink (D)	38%		<i>The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette</i> (10/16-18)
	Sen. Rick Santorum (R)	49%		
	Undecided	11%		
	Rep. Ron Klink (D)	27%		WCAU/NBC 10 (10/19-22)
	Sen. Rick Santorum (R)	39%		
	Undecided	34%		
VA	Sen. Chuck Robb (D)	44%	42%/35%	Mason-Dixon (10/24-25)
	Fmr. Gov. George Allen (R)	47%	47%/35%	
	Undecided	9%		
	Sen. Chuck Robb (D)	39%		VA Commonwealth University (10/18-24)
	Fmr. Gov. George Allen (R)	54%		
	Undecided	7%		
VT	Auditor Ed Flanagan (D)	33%		<i>Rutland Herald</i> /Research 2000 (10/23-25)
	Sen. James Jeffords (R)	61%		
	Undecided	6%		
	Auditor Ed Flanagan (D)	23%		<i>Burlington Free Press</i> /Mason-Dixon (10/18-19)
	Sen. James Jeffords (R)	66%		
	Undecided	11%		
	Auditor Ed Flanagan (D)	23%		<i>Burlington Free Press</i> /WPTZ (10/18-19)
	Sen. James Jeffords (R)	66%		
	Undecided	11%		
WA	Rep. Maria Cantwell (D)	43%		<i>Seattle Post-Intelligencer</i> (10/18-20)
	Sen. Slade Gordon (R)	46%		
	Undecided	11%		

Gubernatorial Races

State	Candidate	MatchUp	Fav/Unfav	Poll/Date Conducted
MT	Auditor Mark O'Keefe (D)	46%		<i>The Billings Gazette/Mason-Dixon (10/23-24)</i>
	LG Judy Martz (R)	44%		
	Stan Jones (Libertarian)	1%		
	Undecided	9%		
	Auditor Mark O'Keefe (D)	44%		<i>Great Falls Tribune (10/13-15)</i>
	LG Judy Martz (R)	41%		
	Stan Jones (Libertarian)	1%		
	Undecided	14%		
NC	AG Mike Easley (D)	43%		<i>Raleigh News & Observer/WRAL (10/12-17)</i>
	Fmr. Mayor Richard Vinroot (R)	37%		
	Undecided	17%		
VT	Gov. Howard Dean (D)	49%	48%/34%	<i>Research 2000/Rutland Herald (10/23-25)</i>
	Ruth Dwyer (R)	35%	35%/38%	
	Anthony Pollina (Progressive Party)	7%	7%/9%	
	Undecided	9%		
	Gov. Howard Dean (D)	48%	47%/38%	<i>Burlington Free-Press/WPTZ-TV (10/18-19)</i>
	Ruth Dwyer (R)	39%	40%/41%	
	Anthony Pollina (Progressive Party)	6%		
	Undecided	7%		
WA	Gov. Gary Locke (D)	56%		<i>Seattle Post-Intelligencer (10/18-20)</i>
	John Carlson (R)	31%		
	Undecided	13%		
WV	Rep. Bob Wise (D)	47%		<i>Rasmussen Research (10/18)</i>
	Gov. Cecil Underwood (R)	41%		
	Denise Giardina (Mountain Party)	4%		
	Undecided	7%		

National Polls

Gore	Bush	Buchanan	Nader	Other/DK	Poll/Date Conducted
41%	48%	1%	5%	5%	<i>Newsweek</i> (10/18-20)
42%	44%	1%	4%	--	CBS News/ <i>New York Times</i> (10/18-21)
43%	49%	1%	3%	5%	CNN/ <i>USA Today</i> /Gallup (10/23-25)
45%	43%	1%	4%	8%	MSNBC/Reuters/Zogby (10/24-26)
46%	42%	1%	3%	8%	Rasmussen Research (10/24-26)
40%	45%	1%	4%	11%	Voter.Com/Battleground (10/ 22-25)
41%	43%	2%	8%	4%	ICR (10/18-22)
45%	48%	1%	3%	2%	ABC News (10/23-25)
45%	48%	1%	3%	3%	<i>Washington Post</i> (10/23-25)
42%	45%	--	4%	9%	Fox News/Opinion Dynamics (10/18-19)
45%	45%	1%	4%	5%	PEW (10/18-22)
46%	44%	2%	5%	4%	Democracy Corps (10/24-25)
42%	44%	--	5%	--	<i>Christian Science Monitor</i> /TIPP (10/19-22)

National Poll Tracking	Gore	Bush	Buchanan	Nader	Other	Date Conducted
ABC News/ <i>Washington Post</i>	46%	47%	1%	4%	2%	10/20-22
	47%	47%	1%	3%	2%	10/20-22
	45%	48%	1%	3%	2%	10/19-21
	45%	48%	1%	3%	3%	10/18-20
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	44%	48%	1%	4%	3%	10/12-15
CNN/ <i>USA Today</i> /Gallup	42%	49%	1%	3%	5%	10/23-25
	43%	48%	1%	3%	5%	10/22-24
	46%	45%	1%	3%	5%	10/21-23
	44%	46%	1%	4%	5%	10/20-22
	41%	50%	1%	3%	5%	10/19-21
	39%	49%	--	5%	7%	10/16-18
	42%	48%	--	4%	6%	10/15-17
	44%	47%	--	3%	6%	10/14-16
	44%	47%	1%	3%	5%	10/13-15
Fox News/Opinion Dynamics	42%	45%	--	4%	9%	10/18-19
	43%	42%	2%	5%	8%	10/4-5
	43%	43%	1%	4%	9%	9/20-21
	45%	43%	2%	3%	7%	9/6-7

Newsweek	41%	48%	1%	5%	5%	10/18-20
	43%	45%	1%	4%	7%	10/12-13
	44%	43%	1%	6%	6%	10/4-6
	45%	44%	1%	3%	7%	9/27-29
	47%	45%	--	3%	7%	9/20-22
	52%	38%	2%	3%	7%	9/14-15
Zogby America	45%	43%	1%	4%	8%	10/24-26
	45%	43%	1%	4%	7%	10/23-25
	42%	44%	1%	5%	7%	10/21-23
	44%	44%	1%	4%	7%	10/17-19
	43%	44%	1%	5%	7%	10/16-18
	43%	43%	1%	6%	8%	10/15-17
	42%	43%	1%	5%	9%	10/13-15
	42%	43%	1%	4%	10%	10/10-12
	43%	43%	1%	4%	9%	10/9-11
Voter.com/Battleground	40%	45%	1%	4%	11%	10/22-25
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	39%	45%	1%	5%	10%	10/18-19, 22-23
	38%	46%	1%	5%	10%	10/17-19, 22
	39%	44%	1%	5%	11%	10/16-19
	40%	44%	1%	4%	11%	10/15-18
	40%	42%	2%	5%	12%	10/12, 15-17

State Polls

New polls were released this week in Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

State	Evs	Gore	Bush	Buchanan	Nader	Other	Poll/Dates Conducted
AK	3	--	--	--	--	--	--
AL	9	33%	53%	--	--	--	<i>The Mobile Register</i> (10/16-19)
		36%	51%	--	--	--	AL Education Association Capital Survey Research (10/20-22)
AR	6	43%	45%	1%	1%	10%	Mason Dixon (9/26-28)
AZ	8	39%	49%	--	3%	9%	KAET-TV/AZ State University (10/19-22)
CA	54	44%	39%	--	6%	11%	Public Policy Institute (10/11-18)
		48%	41%	1%	5%	5%	<i>The Los Angeles Times</i> (10/19-23)
CO	8	38%	45%	1%	3%	13%	Denver Post/KOA News Radio/9 News (10/22-25)
		40%	44%	1%	3%	12%	<i>The Denver Post</i> (10/21-24)
CT	8	48%	32%	1%	4%	13%	University of Connecticut (9/26-10/1)
DE	3	45%	43%	--	--	12%	Mason-Dixon (10/4-5)
FL	25	42%	42%	--	--	13%	Media General (10/9-18)
		41%	46%	3%	4%	6%	<i>Ft. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel</i> (10/17-23)
		49%	45%	--	2%	4%	American Research (10/20-24)
		30%	58%	1%	1%	9%	<i>The Florida Times-Union</i> (10/12-20)
		46%	42%	1%	3%	8%	CBS/ <i>New York Times</i> (10/22-24)
GA	13	40%	48%	1%	--	11%	Mason-Dixon (10/12-14)
HI	4	52%	34%	1%	6%	7%	Mason-Dixon (9/5-9)
IA	7	47%	39%	1%	3%	10%	Research 2000/KCCI-TV (9/25-27)
ID	4	21%	57%	4%	2%	16%	Research 2000 (7/5-8)
IL	22	45%	43%	2%	4%	5%	<i>The Chicago Sun Times</i> /Fox News Chicago (10/16-17)
		45%	35%	1%	4%	14%	Chicago Tribune/WGN-TV (10/20-23)
IN	12	38%	54%	1%	--	7%	Research 2000/ <i>South Bend Tribune</i> (10/12-14)
KS	6	--	--	--	--	--	--
KY	8	39%	48%	--	--	--	<i>The Lexington Herald-Leader</i> (10/21)
LA	9	34%	45%	3%	4%	--	University of New Orleans (10/15-22)
		35%	48%	--	--	--	University of LA (10/15-22)
MA	12	60%	27%	--	3%	10%	<i>Boston Herald</i> (8/29-31)
MD	10	49%	38%	--	--	13%	Mason-Dixon (10/6-8) for WBOC-TV
ME	4	42%	34%	--	5%	--	Market Shares Corp. (10/20-23)
		42%	34%	--	5%	19%	Strategic Marketing Services (10/20-23)
MI	18	42%	44%	--	3%	11%	<i>The Detroit Free Press</i> /WXYZ-TV (10/23-25)
		46%	43%	--	4%	7%	American Research (10/20-24)
		42%	42%	--	3%	13%	<i>Detroit News</i> /Mitchell Research (10/23-25)
MN	10	38%	41%	--	--	--	St. Paul Pioneer Press (10/14-24)
		38%	41%	--	10%	11%	St. Cloud University (10/14-24)

State	Evs	Gore	Bush	Buchanan	Nader	Other	Poll/Dates Conducted
MO	11	41%	42%	--	2%	14%	Research 2000/KOMU-TV (10/15-16)
MS	7	36%	50%	--	1%	10%	<i>Memphis Commercial Appeal</i> (9/6-11)
MT	3	33%	51%	1%	5%	--	<i>The Billings Gazette</i> /MSU (10/19-23)
NC	14	38%	50%	--	1%	11%	<i>Raleigh News & Observer</i> /WRAL (10/12-17)
ND	3	35%	47%	2%	1%	16%	Fargo Forum (10/2-6)
NH	4	44%	41%	1%	1%	13%	Mason-Dixon/Concord Monitor (10/16-18)
NJ	15	47%	41%	1%	4%	7%	Quinnipiac University (10/18-23)
NM	5	41%	44%	1%	6%	8%	Mason Dixon (9/28-30) for <i>Santa Fe New Mexican</i>
NV	4	48%	43%	--	--	9%	<i>The Las Vegas Sun</i> /Survey USA (9/24-25)
NY	33	55%	31%	1%	4%	10%	NY1 News (10/23-25)
OH	21	41%	45%	1%	4%	10%	<i>The Cleveland Plain Dealer</i> /Mason Dixon (10/18-19)
		45%	43%	--	1%	11%	Ohio State University (10/2-23)
		42%	50%	1%	4%	3%	University of Cincy (10/18-25)
OK	8	33%	51%	--	--	16%	<i>The Tulsa World</i> (9/23-10/2)
OR	7	41%	45%	--	10%	5%	American Research (10/20-24)
PA	23	42%	42%	2%	4%	10%	<i>The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette</i> (10/16-18)
		48%	43%	--	2%	7%	American Research (10/20-24)
		44%	33%	--	1%	22%	WCAU/NBC 10 (10/19-22)
RI	4	46%	31%	1%	8%	14%	WPRI-TV (10/10-13)
SC	8	39%	52%	1%	1%	7%	Mason Dixon (9/28-30)
SD	3	--	--	--	--	--	--
TN	11	44%	43%	--	--	13%	Media General Poll (10/9-18)
UT	5	32%	57%	1%	4%	--	<i>Deseret News</i> (10/9-12)
VA	13	40%	54%	--	--	6%	VA Commonwealth University (10/18-24)
VT	3	47%	38%	--	--	16%	<i>Burlington Free-Press</i> /WPTZ-TV (10/18-19)
		52%	36%	1%	5%	6%	<i>Rutland Herald</i> /WCAX-TV (10/23-25)
WA	11	46%	37%	--	3%	14%	<i>Seattle Post-Intelligencer</i> /AP (10/18-20)
WI	11	40%	49%	1%	5%	--	Harris Poll (10/18-21)
		40%	49%	--	--	--	Wisconsin Policy Research Institute (10/18-21)
		46%	39%	--	5%	10%	The Wisconsin Public Radio-St. Norbert College Survey Center (10/18-24)
WV	5	37%	46%	--	--	--	<i>Charleston Daily Mail</i> /WSAZ-TV/AP (10/11-24)
WY	3	37%	57%	2%	--	9%	Mason Dixon (9/16-17)

Michael Feldman's



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27 October 2000

Mr. James Vankeuren
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Dear Jim –

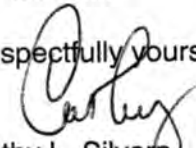
I hope the e-mail and attachment of the transcribed quiz segment from the *Michael Feldman's Whad'Ya Know?* October 21, 2000 broadcast reached you.

For your reference, enclosed is a tape of hour one which includes the quiz segment (it is about ¾ of the way through the tape), a hard copy of the transcription, the quiz "disclaimers" and source information of what became the show's quiz question.

 I am also taking the liberty of enclosing a press kit and an autographed copy of Mr. Feldman's new book *Wisconsin Curiosities*, both of which I hope you will share with President Clinton and the appropriate staff who may listen to the show.

If I can be of further assistance or answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully yours,


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TRANSCRIPT OF QUIZ #1 SEGMENT

"Odds and Ends" (third question of the quiz segment)

Mr. Feldman: Which president kept the highest percentages of promises made during his campaign? Was it Nixon, Reagan or Clinton -- according to Kathleen Jamieson* who has studied politics for many years. Which president kept the highest percentages of promises made during his campaign? Nixon, Reagan or Clinton? Talk it over Joe, Sam.

Contestant by phone: Well...they make a lot of 'em!

Contestant in-house: I'm looking at my politically astute friend for guidance.

Mr. Feldman: Joe, what are you leaning towards here?

Contestant by phone: Uh...I'll say Nixon. I'll go with Nixon.

Contestant in-house: Well, I couldn't say Reagan. I definitely couldn't say Clinton.

Mr. Feldman: Ok, in this surprising finding, which president kept the highest percentages...(laughter)

Contestant by phone: Clinton

Contestant in-house: I'd be really surprised if it was Bill Clinton.

Mr. Feldman: You'd be surprised...

Contestant in-house: I'd be so surprised.

Contestant by phone: I'd be surprised but I'd be happy.

Mr. Feldman: For him or for you?

Contestant by phone: For both.

Mr. Feldman: So you're leaning towards Clinton, now? And, Sam? You're still thinking it's your Rabbi?

Contestant in-house: (laughs) He never promised me anything. No, I'd probably say it's Clinton because he's so surprising.

Mr. Feldman: That's right! Clinton, kept the highest percentage of promises. You've won the "Whad'Ya Know? quiz"! That's a shocker. According to Kathleen Jamieson, in *Everything You Think About Politics...And Why You're Wrong*. Basically, Nixon kept 60%, Regan 53% and Clinton 69%.

Contestant by phone: That number figures for him.

Mr. Feldman: Yes it does. Figuratively of course. LBJ 63%, Jimmy 65%, so surprisingly, he tried to keep more promises than the other guy. So...Jim what did they win today..."

REFERENCE INFORMATION:

*Kathleen Hall Jamieson
Dean of Annenberg School of Communications
University of Pennsylvania
Reference: *The Seattle Times*, August 27, 2000 edition

Everything You Think You Know About Politics...And Why You're Wrong
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"Everything You Think You Know About Politics . . . And Why You're Wrong"

by **Kathleen Hall Jamieson**

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Most presidents make a strong effort to keep most of their **campaign promises**: True or False?

The answer is True. And if that comes as a surprise, you may benefit from the latest investigation into the mechanics and meaning of presidential campaigns from **Kathleen Hall Jamieson**, who has set out to correct the conventional wisdom about politics.

Jamieson is dean of the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania, and the nation's foremost student of political advertising. Her previous titles include "Packaging the Presidency," "Eloquence in the Electronic Age" and "Presidential Debates."

In her latest book, she argues that campaigns do matter, that they involve more substance than hype, and that they aren't any more negative than they were in the past; that the average voter is smarter than generally believed; that newspapers still have impact and even soundbites can inform.

Jamieson has drawn her conclusions from a decade of research that she, associates and students at the Annenberg School have conducted to understand campaign communications, or what voters know and how they come to know it.

But the questions she answers grew out of the frustration a political junkie like herself feels in trying to square her work with public perceptions. "Many of the students in my classes, friends in the neighborhood, and reporters on the phone make assumptions about the way U.S. politics works that just don't check out against the record," she writes.

While readers who follow candidates and government only casually may view politics differently after reading "Everything You Think You Know About Politics . . . And Why You're Wrong," political junkies may already be familiar with most of its conclusions. Promises broken - as anyone who remembers President Bush breaking his "Read My Lips" pledge not to raise taxes can tell you - can come back to haunt a candidate.

Still, the book provides hard data to rebut many of the misconceptions about politics, and it offers some valuable lessons for reporters covering the candidates this season. And it may surprise you.

For example, pundits assert that negative ads are bad for democracy because they drive voters away from the polls. Jamieson's research suggests that isn't necessarily the case. Blatant personal attacks, or unfair and unsubstantiated spots can be a turnoff. But strong-worded comparisons of candidates' records actually seem to engage voters and increase turnout.

Jamieson faults the media for focusing too heavily on campaign tactics, and not enough on the substantive differences between parties and candidates. That attitude, she argues, tends to turn voters off.

"Somewhere between the view that politics as practiced in the United States is poisonous and simple-minded Pollyannaism resides our message that there are problem areas," Jamieson writes. "The media's reliance on strategic assumptions is one of them."

Kevin Galvin reports from the Washington, D.C., bureau of The Seattle Times.

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"WHAD'YA KNOW?"
AND DIANA COOK

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
LONDON

September 11, 2000

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Mr. Phillip Caplan
Assistant to the President and
Staff Secretary
Ground Floor, West Wing
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Phill:

Hope all is well with you in what r
White House. I miss the motivated peop
not the crazy hours! (In some ways, of c
brings back some of the old frenetic feeli
anyone I have ever met!)

Please do the right thing with the enclosed letter from Sir Edward
Heath, who no doubt is thanking the President for sending him an inscribed
photo of the President and Heath taken at the White House earlier this year.

I would love to see you out here in London at some point. This is a
great city and I've got a decent pad that is at your disposal.

All the best,


Glyn T. Davies
Minister

10-21-00

Send to WSC?

Yes ☒
No ☐

Card



HOUSE OF COMMONS

30 August 2000

Personal

Dear Mr President.

I am most grateful to you for sending me a copy of the photograph of us together taken at Aachen when you received the Karlspreis.

It was a remarkable occasion and I shall always value this photograph.

It was most kind of you

Yours sincerely

Edward Heath

The President
The White House
Washington D.C.
USA

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FAX: (202) 456-2883

FROM: Tom McDonald
Ambassador

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Dear Nancy,

I hope all is well with you. I met with Bob Nash a few weeks ago to discuss my future plans. Please show this letter to The President and give him my best regards and sincere thanks. Additionally, I would appreciate you distributing the letter to the other White House addressees.

Thanks so much for your help. I look forward to staying in touch.

Sincerely,

Tom

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Staff
Secretary*

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*Embassy of the United States of America*

Harare, October 30, 2000

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As we approach the end of your very successful Administration, it is with a sense of both fulfillment and pride that I look back on my tour of duty as the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe. However, it is now time for new opportunities and challenges. Therefore, effective on or about December 18, 2000, I will resign my position as Ambassador.

At that time I will already have completed my third anniversary in this very rigorous assignment that I have found professionally and personally stimulating and broadening. I believe that our work here has been important and constructive, and that we have been able to help Zimbabwe prepare for its transition to a more fully democratic society.

My wife, Anmarie, and I are truly grateful to you for giving us the opportunity to represent the United States during this most tumultuous period of Zimbabwe's history. We leave with wonderful friends and indelible memories. It has been an honor to serve you and our great nation.

Respectfully yours,

Tom McDonald
Ambassador

cc: The Secretary of State
The National Security Advisor
The Chief of Staff to the President
The Assistant to the President and Director of
the Office of Presidential Personnel
The Deputy Secretary of State
The Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs
The Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs
The Director General of the Foreign Service



JIMMY CARTER

October 26, 2000

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To President Bill Clinton

I write to nominate Professor Michel C. Oksenberg of Stanford University for a Presidential Medal of Freedom. Dr. Oksenberg has made extraordinary contributions to U.S. policy toward China during several presidential administrations, and he has advanced the welfare of our nation through his teaching, scholarship, and public advocacy in the field of U.S.-China relations. While I'm sure he would be considered for this high honor in due course, present circumstances lead me to make the nomination now. Mike has been diagnosed with advanced metastatic melanoma. While we hope and pray for his recovery, I want him to know that his nation recognizes his enormous contribution to the common good and to America's security.

Mike was my principal advisor on China, working under Zbig Brzezinski at the National Security Council. He played an indispensable role in the normalization process, working closely with Ambassador Leonard Woodcock to implement my policy in our negotiations with Deng Xiaoping. Both in and out of the White House, Mike has devoted himself to the national interest through his active advisory role to several Administrations, including your own, where he has met not only with you, but also frequently with Tony Lake, Sandy Berger, and Madeleine Albright. Further, Mike has trained or mentored a generation of China scholars who are now in prominent positions in and out of government (including Ken Lieberthal who recently worked for you) and he is a prolific author of influential popular as well as scholarly publications.

It is my fervent hope that you see fit to extend to Mike his nation's gratitude at this time. You would be acknowledging a rare fusion of policy wisdom, dedicated public service to several administrations, and inspired teaching of a generation of individuals who will contribute to American thinking about China and American policy toward China for decades to come.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Carter

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
The President
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Mr. Justin Cooper
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Re: Andrew V. Barnhill
Reg. No. 09885-016

How should we handle?

Board of Counsel's Office

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Please accept my gratitude and appreciation for talking to me on Thursday of last week (19th Oct.) regarding the case of my son Andrew V. Barnhill. I have been working for over three and a half years in an effort to get a just and fair hearing on my son's case.

Let me review his case as to what has happened so far. In the ORIGINAL JURISDICTION APPEAL as prepared by Mr. Cecil C. McCall, who Andrew hired to help him with his case he stated that Examiner Roberts' comments were, "committed only armed robbery and transporting stolen money, and Regional Administrator Sicoli recommended release eligibility on January 6, 1995." Mr. McCall further states "Commission policy and its application must be unusually vague if two Commissioners (Getty and Fechtal) and four examiners (Young, Lepschenske, Robertson and Sicoli) believe the severity rating should be six or less, while four Commissioners and one examiner believe it should be Category Eight."

In the original indictment prepared by U. S. Attorney Peter O. Mueller on January 28, 1986 he details each charged crime and the defendant associated with that crime. Mr. Mueller states that, "The defendant Andrew Virgil Barnhill, committed the crimes of robbery and dealing in stolen property on behalf of the enterprise." He was not identified with or charged with the two homicides.

The government went to great lengths to identify the specific acts with which to charge each defendant. Mr. McCall further states that, "They [the government prosecutors] have done a superb job, as I don't recall a case where the indictment leaves nothing to guesswork as to what each defendant is charged with and for which he should be held accountable. They just as carefully made sure to identify the behavior with which they were not associated."

The government specifically identified those persons charged and convicted with homicide - and they did not include my son Andrew. As a

matter of fact, Andrew did not even have prior knowledge that anyone was going to engage in homicide. To hold someone accountable for actions he did not commit is unreasonable and surely unfair, and certainly arbitrary.

Defendants Frank Silva and Robert Merki who were almost identically convicted and sentenced with Andrew have already been paroled. Silva was released at his eligibility date and Merki was paroled at 107 months. Is this not a great co-defendant disparity with relation to my son Andrew?

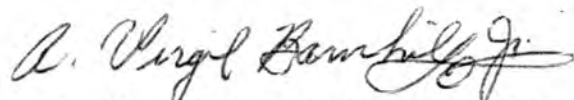
The defendants who have been released on parole were not judged by the same standard as my son. Their judgment was based on a different standard even though they were found guilty of similar counts as my son and given the same 40 year sentence by the court. There has been a misapplication of the particular value distribution among the co-defendants given the same sentence with the same guilty verdict.

I am aware that these rulings, as well as the law, are not an exact science. They are highly flexible with varying subjective interpretations, however, they should not become perfunctory acts, but should be done with care and justice for all the defendants.

It is my firm conviction that my son has not been given the fairness and justice he deserves. If you will examine the prison progress reports, which covered at least a 10 year period, you will see that his behavior and conduct record is exemplary. He has abided by all the rules and has not committed any disciplinary infractions, and he has repudiated the ideas which led to his involvement in these crimes. This cannot be said for all those who have been released on parole.

If I may, I would like to respectfully request that you contact Judge Morris S. Arnold, of the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals in Little Rock, Arkansas, Tel. (501) 324-6880. He can provide you with a more definitive and impartial opinion of my son.

Respectfully yours,



A. Virgil Barnhill, Jr., P.E.
Consulting Engineer, Ret.
Phone (865) 690-0796

Enclosures
Notice of Action
Letter, Judge Arnold to Cong. Duncan
Andrew V. Barnhill Statement of Parole Board

United States Parole Commission
5550 Friendship Boulevard
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815-7201

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Name: BARNHILL, Andrew

Register Number: 09885-016

Institution: Lexington FMC

In the case of the above-named, the following parole action was ordered:

Reopen and advance 15-Year Reconsideration date (August 2009) and continue to a 15-Year Reconsideration date in August 2008.

REASONS:

Retroactivity does not apply. Neither your recalculated severity rating (old Category Eight; new Category Eight) nor your recalculated salient factor risk category (old Category Very Good, old score 10; new Category Very Good, new score 10) is more favorable. This statement means that a finding has been made by the Parole Commission at your hearing that no regulatory or procedural changes have been made by the Parole Commission since your last hearing which would positively affect your case in terms of Offense Severity or Salient Factor Scoring.

The above decision includes a 12 month credit for superior program achievement, specifically: You have volunteered your free time to assist the recreation department with photo works. You volunteered your time in the Hospice Program and you have consistently received excellent work reports that show dedication far above the required level of performance.

As required by law, you have also been scheduled for a statutory interim hearing during May 2002.

The above is an original jurisdiction decision, and is appealable to the Commission under 28 C.F.R. 2.27.

Copies of this Notice are sent to your institution and to your U.S. Probation Officer. In certain cases, copies may also be sent to the sentencing court. You are responsible for advising any others you wish to notify.

cc: U.S. Probation Office
Western District of Washington
701 Fifth Avenue
Suite 4100
Seattle, WA 98104-7024

Date: August 30, 2000

Clerk: vah

To BG 8/31/00

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

EIGHTH CIRCUIT

P.O. Box 2060

MORRIS SHEPPARD ARNOLD
JUDGE

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72203

(501) 324-6880

January 29, 1999

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The Hon. John J. Duncan, Jr.
The House of Representatives
800 Market Street, Suite 110
Knoxville, TN 37902

Dear Congressman Duncan:

Many thanks for your letter. I am glad to provide the information that you requested.

Andy Barnhill appeared in my court about eleven years ago when I was a United States District Judge in Ft. Smith. He was charged with thirteen other defendants with conspiring to overthrow the government of the United States, among other things. He and his codefendants were acquitted on all counts.

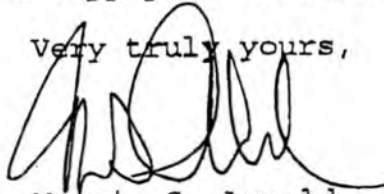
At the trial, all the defendants acted as their own lawyers, but Andy stood out: He astutely and quietly defended himself, and, unlike many of the other defendants, was not boisterous, disrespectful, or disruptive. He looked and acted like a gentleman at all times, and always dealt with the court in a polite, low-key, and direct way.

The trial lasted eight weeks, so I got to know the defendants rather well. In addition to being with them every day, I had, as you will imagine, some rather extensive background information on them since we were concerned with security and the potential for violence. Frankly, I could never figure out how Andy got involved with the group he was tried with. He seemed quiet and thoughtful, very much unlike most of the others. He has written me once or twice in the recent past, and his communications are entirely consistent with my favorable recollection of him.

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January 29, 1999
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I hope that this letter proves useful to you. Please give me a ring if you think that I can supply further particulars.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Morris S. Arnold', with a large, stylized initial 'M'.

Morris S. Arnold
U. S. Circuit Judge

MSA/db

**STATEMENT
TO THE PAROLE BOARD**

by Andrew Barnhill
09885-016

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First I would like to say that I made a horrible mistake; I accept total blame for this mistake and take responsibility for my actions. I have no bitterness towards anyone involved with my prosecution nor anyone involved with my incarceration. Every day of my life I try to atone for this mistake. I have worked hard to grow and evolve as a person to some day deserve reentry into society.

I was taught to judge people by the group which they represent and not by their individual merits. I had to learn how very destructive a path this is and how it only leads to hate and bitterness. Learning to listen and understand the viewpoint of others has contributed immensely to my growth as an individual. Thinking positively and opening myself to new avenues of thinking has been like a vista opening in front of my eyes for the first time. It has been a wonderful experience, and I am thankful I've had the opportunity to grasp these concepts. I have prepared myself for release by saving a significant amount of money and keeping my job skills current, but the most significant preparation for me was this chance to learn to think openly and objectively.

I stand before you today as a man who has never received a second chance at life. I understand that whether I receive that chance is your decision and I accept that decision. I have never been one to complain nor deny the necessity of my incarceration. My mistakes deserved incarceration, and I have accepted that fact and used this time to evolve into a person no longer capable of such acts. I humbly ask for one chance to prove myself as a peaceful and productive member of society.

I respect your decision in this matter, and regardless of that decision, I will continue to live my life in a positive manner and work hard to improve myself mentally and spiritually.

Thank you for your time in reviewing my case.