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REMARKS OF R. PAUL RICHARD
RECOGNIZING OUR OWN
GAY & LESBIAN VICTORY FUND

June 24, 1994

REMARKS OF R. PAUL RICHARD
NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY CELEBRATION
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
STATE COLLEGE, PENNSYLVANIA

October 13, 1994

[Acknowledgements]

When Josh first contacted me about speaking to you this evening, my first question to him was what would people be most interested in hearing from me. He replied that since this is a celebration of Coming Out Day, it would probably be most appropriate to speak on being an openly gay staffer at the White House.

Before I turn to Josh's request, let me tell you a little bit about what I do at the White House. As you may have guessed by now, my title is Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Staff Secretary. Sounds pretty impressive, and it does take up a lot of space on my business cards. But like most titles in Washington, it gives you little clue as to what exactly I do. In brief, the Staff Secretary's office is responsible for managing the paper flow to and from the President. So far, a cinch, right? But when you think that during this session of Congress over 250 bills were passed, you begin to get a picture of just how enormous the task really is. For each bill presented to the President, my office must secure clearance from all affected government agencies, as well as senior White House staff and the various political offices.

When you realize that most of the documents that the President sees go through the same process, you will get an idea of just how much there is to be done. And remember, unlike you and me, the President remains president even when he is on vacation, so there's a role for us even during his down time.

With that brief introduction, I'm now prepared to discuss what it's like being openly gay at the White House. In a few words, no problem mon! My co-workers from the President on down know that I am gay, have met my partner of nearly 13 years, and to be honest, they react to me in the same way they react to straight members of the staff.

What is striking about being openly gay is that issues that affect our community are being being discussed in terms of how they affect our community. Being open about my sexuality means that when people see me around the White House, they are reminded that there is a segment of our population that can no longer be ignored. Sure, there are the ^{*contentious*} obvious issues like gays in the military, but an open presence ^{*where we didn't achieve all that we wanted,*} within the White House and the government means that when issues such as health care are discussed, people are much more likely to examine how ^{*proposed*} solutions will impact gay men and lesbians. What is remarkable is not that there are openly gay men and women working on the staff, but that, for the first time in history, we are no longer invisible when policies affecting our lives are discussed and debated.

Let me spend a few minutes to share with you some of the results of our new found visibility:

- ◆ President Clinton has appointed nearly 30 openly gay and lesbian people to the Administration, including at the White House
- ◆ He appointed Roberta Achtenberg as Assistant Secretary of Housing & Urban Development for Fair Housing, the first openly lesbian person to be confirmed by the Senate

- ◆ The President appointed Bruce Lehman as Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks, the first openly gay man appointed to this position, and the first openly gay man to be unanimously confirmed to his position by the Senate
- ◆ He appointed the first openly gay federal judge in U.S. history, Deborah Batts, an African American lesbian from New York.
- ◆ President Clinton was the first U.S. President to meet with leaders of the gay and lesbian community, which he did in April 1993 in connection with the Gay and Lesbian March on Washington

- ◆ He issued a strong statement condemning the anti-gay ballot initiatives circulating in several states
- ◆ Secretary of Health & Human Services Donna Shalala convened a national conference to examine the causes and find solutions to gay youth suicide
- ◆ The Administration provided a grievance and remedy procedure for gay and lesbian federal employees to prevent sexual orientation discrimination

- ◆ The Clinton Administration removed the barriers in the security clearance process for sexual orientation in the Departments of Defense, State and Justice. The FBI issued groundbreaking guidelines for their investigative officers to ensure that sexual orientation is not a bar in the security clearance process.

- ◆ For the first time, the White House included sexual orientation as a protected category in its equal employment opportunity statement

- ◆ Several major cabinet departments and agencies have banned discrimination based on sexual orientation

*including the U.S. Navy, at least
for civilians*

- ◆ The FY 95 budget endorsed lifting the restrictions on the implementation of the District of Columbia domestic partnership law
- ◆ Members of the Administration have met with members of the lesbian and gay community, for the first time opening up the doors of the government to all people
- o President Clinton appointed Jane Alexander, a strong defender of freedom of the arts, to head the National Endowment for the Arts

- ◆ The President has appointed a number of officials who support gay rights, including:

Transportation Secretary Federico Pena , who participated in the first ever Gay & Lesbian Pride Week at the Transportation Department.

Justice

Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg , who became the first

Supreme Court nominee to deplore discrimination against gays and lesbians during her confirmation hearings, and

Thomas Payzant , who won confirmation to be Assistant Secretary of Education despite attacks from critics that he was too supportive of gay rights

- ◆ Bill Clinton is the first President to speak out for equal rights for gays and lesbians and for judging people by their conduct and not their sexual orientation
- ◆ The Justice Department has vigorously enforced the Americans with Disabilities Act, prosecuting those who discriminate based on HIV or AIDS status
- ◆ President Clinton held an unprecedented meeting with religious leaders to discuss how government and faith communities can support one another in stopping the spread of AIDS and insuring compassionate care for those who are ill

- ◆ President Clinton issued a presidential directive requiring that nearly 3 million federal employees (including all White House staff) receive comprehensive workplace education *on HIV and AIDS*.
- ◆ The Department of Health & Human Services created the National Task Force for AIDS Drug Development last fall to work aggressively to identify and resolve barriers to the development of new AIDS drugs by streamlining drug development and encouraging government-private sector collaborative efforts
- ◆ The Administration introduced a new AIDS prevention initiative that candidly emphasizes abstinence and encourages correct and consistent use of latex condoms

- ◆ Attorney General Janet Reno granted a travel waiver to allow people living with HIV and AIDS to participate in Gay Games activities in New York this past summer.

Travel was left.

- ◆ President Clinton commemorated World AIDS Day in December 1993 by participating in a number of different activities designed to highlight the profile of the issue and invited an openly gay, HIV-positive African American community activist to introduce him

- ◆ President Clinton appointed the first National AIDS Policy Coordinator to orchestrate Administration AIDS activities

One of the hallmarks of the maturity of a political movement is its ability to form coalitions with other groups to obtain necessary results. I think that the time has come for the movement for lesbian and gay rights to extend its hand to like-minded groups to work for the common good. Let me give you a few examples. You are the beneficiaries of some of the best education this country has to offer, yet far too many of us think that because we may not have children, education has no importance to us. Many of you will graduate, go on to obtain good jobs, establish long term relationships, and become what has derisively become known as "DINKS" - double incomes, no kids..

But while we revel in our new found prosperity, we ignore those others in our wider community who long for a roof over their heads, who ache for a meal, who want to be productive members of our society. How do we as gay men and lesbians make common cause with those who would secure a better life for all of us?

We need to fight for America. We must recognize that this country must be able to compete and win in the 21st century. Our children, and the next generation IS ours as much as it belongs to our straight brothers and sisters, must not be the first generation of Americans to do worse than their parents. The future will be the best time gays and lesbians, and the entire country have ever had, if we have the discipline and courage and the vision to persevere, go forward, and do what we know we should do.

We cannot go back to a time where families, straight or gay, struggle longer and harder for less and less, and where this country comes apart rather than coming together. I think it's clear that this Administration has made a beginning in turning this country around, and I'm sure that none of you wants to go back, back to the days of the closet, back to the days when you were afraid that you might lose your home or your job because of who you love, back to the days when you could not be who you truly were.

Over the next few weeks, you will hear a lot of cynical comments about how bad our political system is. While there is much that needs to be corrected, we gay men and lesbians must remember that it is our political system that allows you to meet here openly as lesbians, gay men and bisexuals, that *the same system* allows me to address you as an openly gay member of the most inclusive Administration this country has ever known. Remember the progress we have made, remember the progress we are making. Remember those who fought against us, and those who fought for us and with us each step of the way. And remember that there are still those who will take us backward when we have so much to do to keep going forward.

And we are moving forward. We are headed in a new direction, with a new idea about what our federal government ought to do -- not a government that ignores our problems, but also not ^{one} ~~on~~ that promises to solve our problems for us. Instead, we are working for a government that empowers all of us, gay, lesbian and bisexual, to build good lives of our own; not more government, but less government that works better for all of us.

This Administration has made some magnificent strides. The Family and Medical Leave Act provides protection so that all of our families can succeed as parents and workers; so that those of us who must bear the burden of debilitating illness can care for our loved ones.

God willing, those protections will soon be extended to our gay and lesbian families.

Immunization for all American children under the age of 2 by 1996 -- 2 million kids who will have a better chance for a better life. Apprenticeships for young people who don't go to college but want good jobs. These are not just slogans in a campaign; they are concrete results from a President and an Administration that are committed to making ours a more just, a more humane, and a more tolerant country.

For the first time in a generation, the federal government has begun a real assault on crime. We have passed the Brady Bill and the Crime Bill, increasing the number of cops on the beat by 20%. ^{You and I} ~~We~~ can only pray that having more police who know us and respect us will help rid our communities of those who stalk us, beat us, and sometimes kill us because we have dared to publicly acknowledge that we are gay.

We worked hard for a new student loan program so that higher education remains available for the middle class, not just the poor and the rich, and with flexible repayment plans so that your job choices won't be dictated by how much student loan debt you carry.

We've finally begun to put our economic house in order. The Administration fought for historic deficit reductions -- \$255 billion in federal spending cuts. Remember that these cuts will enable employers to offer you the jobs you expect and deserve when you graduate and begin your careers. For the first time since Harry Truman was President, this Administration is bringing down the deficit for three years in a row. We have finally begun to pay down the huge mortgage on your futures that was built up in the previous decade. We have finally begun to realize that we cannot saddle you, our bright hope for the future, with the bill for our lack of discipline.

More jobs have been created in high wage industries this year than in the previous five years combined. For nine months we've have growth in manufacturing jobs for the first time in 10 years. And the Panel of International Economists identified the United States as the most productive country in the world for the first time in nine years.

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It ~~will~~ be easy for you to ask what does any of this have to do with me. I mentioned earlier how we must always remember those who fought against our progress as gays, lesbians and bisexuals, and those who struggled with us. As ^{the gains we have achieved,} we recall ~~all that has gone on before~~, we cannot shirk our obligation to continue to struggle for a society, for a country , and for a world that prizes each of us, straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual for the God-given potential that lies within ^{US.} ~~each of~~ ~~us.~~

When you hear that some folks are offering a contract ^{with} ~~for~~ America, remember that this Administration offers a contract for the future, a future in which we ^{move} all ~~go~~ forward, compete, and win. We cannot take the easy way out and abandon the future for the allure of the present.

We gay men, lesbians and bisexuals, because we know the sting of oppression, must become leaders in the fight for a better future. Although we may not have children of our own, we must fight for the gay and lesbian youth who we know will follow us. Think about those children, think about those who will take your places here at Penn State. Think about those who suffer with AIDS with no health insurance. Think of those who live in terror that they might lose their job and their homes because of who they love. Think about those who don't yet know the freedom of openly declaring who they ^{are}.

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And when you do, when you vote next month, remember to stand up for all of those who fought for you in the past and who will fight for you in the future. We know that we can work together, and we know that we must work together. And we won't stop thinking about tomorrow.

Thank you.

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August 23, 1993

Mr. Paul Richard
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Paul:

There are moments which underscore our respect for what is America. Such was the case when you so kindly allowed me the opportunity to view the offices of The President. It was a very special experience for me, an experience for which there truly is no comparison.

It was particularly important because the President today is Bill Clinton. How nice it was, and for me the first time, to work on the campaign of a presidential candidate who actually won.

As I sat in your office waiting, I thought how I might express my appreciation for your consideration. The answer is this painting. It represents our history and it represents America. It is sent as a response from a community which respects the vision of President Clinton for justice and empowerment for all Americans.

Please accept this as my expression of my appreciation and the hope you might use this to brighten up your office. Again, thank you very much for your courtesy.

Kindest regards,



Allen White

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THE RAINBOW FLAG

Gilbert Baker, a San Francisco flag artist, designed the Rainbow Flag in 1978. The flag was flown for the first time at the 1978 Gay Pride Parade and Celebration in San Francisco, California.

Since that time, this flag has been acknowledged as the international symbol of lesbian/gay pride. Thousands of these flags have been created and have been used by individuals, organizations and governments throughout the world.

This Rainbow Flag was hand screened by Gilbert Baker in 1992.

This oil on linen silk screen is one of two hundred.



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September 2, 1994

Mr. R. Paul Richard
Special Assistant to the President
and Deputy Staff Secretary
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Paul,

Thank you for your help with Oakland. Ben Boyd of our staff will follow up with you regarding the necessary arrangements and details.

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter to Commissioner Meissner regarding the case of a friend from Dallas, Richard Longstaff, who is a very well known Dallas businessman. He has received enormous publicity for the "injustice" he has received from previous administrations and desperately desires to be an American citizen.

Although his permanent status in the U.S. is no longer in jeopardy, this is one of those bureaucratic nightmares that has never been resolved. I don't know if it's appropriate for you to make an inquiry, but any assistance will be appreciated. As Richard lives and works in both Dallas and Houston, I can assure any resolution will receive the kind attention of Texas' (and perhaps the nation's) lesbian and gay community.

The history of Richard's case has been one of neglect, so any attention from you will be greatly appreciated. He isn't seeking a Rose Garden ceremony as a catharsis, but you can imagine the emotional trauma he has suffered these past 20 years. I think it's time U.S. Immigration did the right thing and corrected his status. Richard's attorney is Jeff Appleman of San Francisco and his number is (415) 398-1800.

As always, I appreciate your support and benevolence on our behalf.

Sincerely,

William Waybourn
Executive Director

(Enclosure)

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April 14, 1994

Hon. Doris Meissner
Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service
425 Eye Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20536

Re: Richard John LONGSTAFF
File No: A14 533 708

Dear Commissioner Meissner:

I am writing on behalf of my above-named client to seek your assistance in resolving one of the more tragic injustices in the history of the application of the immigration laws of the United States.

Richard Longstaff has been a permanent resident of the United States since November 14, 1965 when he was admitted at New York. He has resided in the United States continually since that time. Mr. Longstaff is a reputable and successful businessman in Dallas.

In 1979, Mr. Longstaff filed a petition for naturalization as a citizen of the United States in the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Texas. During the course of routine questioning by INS officials in conjunction with this application, he stated that he had engaged in "homosexual activity" prior to his 1965 entry. Approval of his petition was recommended by the naturalization examiner. Nevertheless, the District Court denied naturalization on the ground that Mr. Longstaff had violated the Texas Penal Code by engaging in homosexual activity, had exhibited a lack of candor in answering questions about his sexual activities, and had failed to meet his burden of establishing good moral character as required by 8 U.S.C. §1427(a)(3). The Court of Appeals affirmed, solely on the ground that Longstaff had failed to discharge his burden of proof. In re Longstaff, No. 79-2241 (5th Cir. Oct. 31, 1980) (per curiam) (unpublished opinion). In response to a petition for rehearing, the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit remanded to afford Longstaff an opportunity to offer additional evidence of good moral character. In re Longstaff, No. 79-2241 (5th Cir. Dec. 11, 1980) (on rehearing) unpublished opinion).

Pursuant to the District Court's pretrial order on remand, an examiner for the Immigration and Naturalization Service interrogated Mr. Longstaff. The examiner concluded that Longstaff had met his burden of establishing good moral character; nevertheless, he recommended denial of the petition because Mr. Longstaff had stated that he had engaged in homosexual activity before entering the United States in 1965. He concluded from this admission that Mr. Longstaff had been excludable at the time of his original entry, and therefore had not been "lawfully admitted," as the Act requires for naturalization. After a trial de novo, the District Court again denied Longstaff's petition for naturalization. (538 F. Supp. 589, N.D. Tex.)

The Fifth Circuit, in a 2-1 decision, affirmed the denial on the sole ground that "Based on the finding that Longstaff was a homosexual when he entered the United States the District Court correctly decided that he was then excludable, that his excludability may now be proved, and that, being excludable, he may not be naturalized." Longstaff v. INS, 716 F.2d 1439 (5th Cir. 1983). A petition for rehearing on banc was denied.

Despite the direct conflict between the Fifth Circuit decision in Longstaff and the decision of the Ninth Circuit in Hill v. INS, 714 F.2d 1470 (9th Cir. 1983) the government opposed Longstaff's Petition for Certiorari and the Petition was subsequently denied by the Supreme Court. Longstaff v. INS, cert. denied, 104 S. Ct. 2668 (1984).

The Immigration Service took no further adverse action in this matter. There was some discussion of the issuance of an Order to Show Cause, but no proceedings were commenced. A Private Bill was introduced in the House of Representatives but was never passed. Mr. Longstaff was issued a re-entry permit and he has continued to lawfully reside in the United States as a permanent resident.

As you are well aware, IMMACT90 eliminated the ground of excludability for homosexuality under old §212(a)(4). Sexual preference is no longer an issue to be considered regarding the admissibility of aliens into the United States. With the stroke of a pen, the subject of decades of litigation was eliminated. Landmark cases such as Fleuti v. Rosenberg, 302 F.2d 652 (9th Cir. 1962), vacated on other grounds, 374 U.S. 449 (1963) Boutilier v. INS, 387 U.S. 118 (1967), Longstaff v. INS, supra and Hill v. INS, supra as well as literally dozens of other cases of less fame were, in whole or in part, rendered moot.

Hon. Doris Meissner
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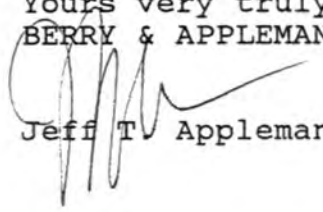
The case of Richard Longstaff is perhaps the last remaining vestige of the era of §212(a)(4). As one of his attorneys during the years of litigation, I have always felt that his inability to naturalize constituted a tragic piece of unfinished business.

Richard Longstaff has demonstrated his commitment to the United States over a thirty year span of time despite the repeated rejections he has received. He continues to profoundly desire to become a United States citizen.

I respectfully request that you review this matter and agree to reopen this case with a view to facilitating the expeditious naturalization of a good and gentle man.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this matter.

Yours very truly,
BERRY & APPLEMAN



Jeff T. Appleman

cc: Alexander Aleinikoff
General Counsel, INS



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September 27, 1994

R. Paul Richard

Special Assistant to the President

and Deputy Staff Secretary

The White House

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Dear R. Paul,

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund's upcoming reception in Oakland, California on November 5th. Rest assured as soon as I have greater details, which should be by the close of this week, I will share them with you so that we can coordinate your travel arrangements.

In the meantime, I wanted to apprise you of an event that we will be sponsoring here in the Washington area on Tuesday, October 18th from 8:00pm - 10:00pm at Trumpets Restaurant. Different from most of our receptions, this event is an effort to mobilize the energy and resources of DC's young, politically minded, professionals. In essence, this will be one of our first efforts to increase our membership at the Associate level of \$35.

The Victory Fund views this event as an investment in our future as both an organization and movement. From within this talented group of individuals, we will draw tomorrow's candidates and leaders. I know you could make an impact on this gathering through your example of service and leadership as both an African-American and a gay man. Should your schedule permit, I invite you to drop in on our casual gathering and share your experiences and insights with those attending.

Again, thank you for your help in the past as well as your continued support. I look forward to speaking with you and encourage you to contact me should you have more immediate needs or concerns.

Regards,

J. Benjamin Boyd, Jr.
Development Associate



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MEMORANDUM / OCTOBER 14, 1994

TO: R. PAUL RICHARD

FROM: BEN BOYD

REF: VICTORY FUND OAKLAND EVENT, NOVEMBER 5, 1994

Dear Paul,

The schedule is finally set and our event for November 5 is on track. It will begin at 7:00pm at the Executive Inn, 1755 Embarcadero, Oakland, CA 94606. Cocktails will be served from 7:00 until 8:00 and then the program will begin - this will be an opportunity for remarks from our featured guests, yourself chief among them. At 9:00pm a DJ will begin music for dancing which is to last until 11:00pm.

As you can tell, this is a little different than most of our other events, but I am confident that a good time will be had by all. The purpose for this note is not only to provide you with the details but also to inquire as to your needs at this time in preparation for the event. Any travel plans you would like for me to handle, I would be more than happy to manage. Not knowing your preferences in terms of airlines or accommodations, I wanted to touch base with you prior to beginning any preliminary phone calls.

I will be in the office on today until 5:00 and can be reached at 202-842-8679 or you can fax me any requests you have at 202-289-3863. As always, we greatly appreciate your help in this effort and want to make this trip as enjoyable as possible. I look forward to speaking with you.

Regards,

Ben

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William Waybourn
Executive Director

Dear Paul,

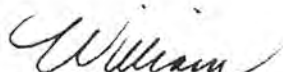
Thank you for the gracious remarks you delivered at our event in New York. Not only were you an eloquent representative for the President, but also a role model for all of the elected and appointed individuals in the country.

I hope you have completely recovered and your life has returned to some semblance of normalcy. Please don't forget to send me a copy of your remarks.

Now for the next favor (I presume you're keeping track). My sister will be here with her daughter on July 11-12-13. Is it possible to include them on one of your VIP tours? My sister is Charlene Durfey (b)(6) and her daughter is Kelly Durfey. Let me know if this is possible and I will have them at the right place at the right time.

Be sure you let Marsha know of the success of the event (thanks to you).

Sincerely,


William Waybourn

June 30, 1994

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June 15, 1994

Mr. R. Paul Richard

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20500

Dear Paul,

I am pleased to confirm your reservation for the Victory Fund's *25 Years Together* dinner at the Rainbow Room's Rainbow Pavilion, on Saturday, June 25th. The Rainbow Pavilion is a private dining suite in the Rainbow Room and is located on the 65th Floor of Rockefeller Plaza (between 49th and 50th streets, just west of Fifth Avenue). Your reservation will be on the door list that night -- tickets will not be distributed prior to the dinner.

The cocktail reception will begin at 9:00 PM in the Park Suite (overlooking New York's Central Park), and dinner will be served at 10:15 in the Rainbow Pavilion. The Pavilion has one of the largest collections of Dale Chihuly hand blown glass in the United States. Other Chihuly works are in the Museum of Decorative Arts at the Palais du Louvre in Paris.

An international assortment of hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be butlered during the cocktail reception, followed by a sumptuous four-course dinner. Each course will be embellished with vintage estate-bottled wines.

If you are planning to come directly from Yankee Stadium, take the "D" train to the 47th and 50th Street/Rockefeller Center stop which will let you out directly beneath 30 Rockefeller Plaza.

Please note that proper attire is required at the Rainbow Pavilion (jackets); black tie is optional.

Your tickets to the *Recognizing Our Own* cocktail reception (Friday, June 24th, at the Supper Club, 240 West 47th Street between Broadway and 8th Avenue) will also be held at the door. Please plan to arrive by 7:00 PM when we will begin the awards presentation.

Tickets to *Olympus...Home of the Gods* dance event at Roseland have already been mailed. If you have not received these tickets, please call 202/842.8679.

We look forward to seeing you in New York.

Sincerely,

William Waybourn

Executive Director



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May 9, 1994

Mr. R. Paul Richard
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to the President
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Dear Paul,

It was great seeing you at David and Gail Ifshin's home on Thursday night and again on Saturday night. I was so glad to see such a friendly face and enjoyed being able to visit, if only briefly.

I wanted to follow up on your personal invitation to our New York events during the Gay Games/Stonewall 25 observance. We would like you to come, be recognized and deliver a greeting from the President at *Recognizing Our Own*, our Friday night event, where we will honor more than 100 openly lesbian and gay public officials from around the country. Many Administration appointees have already responded affirmatively. *Recognizing Our Own* is a cocktail reception and will be held on June 24, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$100, but we hope you will consider coming as our guest and being recognized as one of our community's strongest friends in the White House.

We also plan to honor Victory Fund board member and former Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund executive director Tom Stoddard of New York and Ginny Apuzzo, former executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and currently executive deputy commissioner for the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal and was recently nominated by Governor Cuomo to be Commissioner and President of the New York State Department of Civil Service with our most distinguished awards for meritorious service to our community. Because Tom Stoddard served as legal adviser on the movie, *Philadelphia*, we have asked actor Tom Hanks to present the award to Tom. Because Ginny is a political appointee of Governor Mario Cuomo, we have asked him to present her award.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William".

William Waybourn
Executive Director



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Sincerely,

William Waybourn
Executive Director

May 25

Paul -

Here is the information I have
so far. I am just waiting
to hear back from Cheryl Mills.

Also, will you need an
additional ticket?

Julie

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Sent Via Fax: (202) 456-5463

Memorandum / May 24, 1994

To: Julie Watson
The White House

From: William Waybourn

Re: New York Events

This is to confirm that the Victory Fund will pay for Marsha Scott and Paul Richard to travel to New York and for their hotel accommodations for two nights.

To book their airfare, please call Bill St. Clair at our travel agency, Champion-Kail. There is a special rate on now with USAir for \$139 roundtrip (some restrictions apply). The number is (202) 483-0110. Please call as soon as possible as these rates are limited.

We have booked rooms for Marsha and Paul in their names at the Loews Lexington Hotel at 51st Street and Lexington Avenue on the upper East Side (212) 752-7000. This is convenient to the Supper Club for Friday night's event and to the Rainbow Room, which is in Rockefeller Center. These rooms will be charged to our account. If you have any questions, please call Charles Cox in our office (202) 842-8679.

Marsha and Paul should arrive no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, June 24, and can depart anytime after Sunday morning. They may want to stay for the parade on Sunday afternoon. Let me know their transfer expenses and we will reimburse these, as well.

We will also comp their tickets to our events. Paul has expressed a need for an extra ticket (\$100) to the Friday night event where he is speaking and that is no problem. Can you confirm with him about his plans for an additional ticket on Saturday night, as it is significantly more expensive (\$1,000 per person)?

Thanks for your valuable assistance. Let me know if you need additional information or help with their messages.

cc: Bill St. Clair, Champion-Kail Travel



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MEMORANDUM / MAY 31, 1994

**TO: R. PAUL RICHARD
MARSHA SCOTT**

FROM: WILLIAM WAYBOURN

RE: NEW YORK EVENTS

I wanted to give each of you an idea of what you can expect in New York, and perhaps some ideas you may want to incorporate into your remarks or the President's letter.

Friday, June 24: Recognizing Our Own Reception (Supper Club, 6:30 - 9:30)

This will be a repeat of last year's very successful event honoring just under 100 openly lesbian and gay public officials. James Carville was the speaker last year and we had a sellout crowd of 600 persons. This year the room holds 1400, but we expect around 850. Governor Mario Cuomo has authorized his name to be on the invitation and the event is on his schedule. We will not have confirmation of his attendance until we get closer to the event.

There will be another short film which extolls the virtues of the Victory Fund and its significance in helping to elect or gain appointment of our own to public office. Over half of the 150 honorees have already responded, so we can expect a huge crowd. This is where we will also honor Tom Stoddard and Ginny Apuzzo with the top awards. Paul's remarks and the Presidential message will be a major focal point of the program, especially if Governor Cuomo sends a videotape rather than an in-person message. You can expect heavy press.

Saturday, June 25: Stonewall, 25 Years Together Dinner (Rainbow Room, 9:30 to Midnight)

This event is also a repeat of last year's dinner for 100 at \$1,000 per person, except we anticipate closer to 150 persons. We have asked David Geffen to personally invite Barbra Streisand and her son, Jason Gould. The dinner will be held right after the closing ceremonies of the Gay Games, so we will bus in attendees from Yankee Stadium. You can expect this one to run late.

Christopher Ciccone (Madonna's brother) is helping produce the event; it is likely that he will show up with a special guest or two, although we are not supposed to talk about it. There is no program as yet, except for Marsha's remarks and the Presidential message as a focal point. It is possible that various individuals will stand up from time to time to deliver toasts or make commitments, as happened last year. As you know, these individuals are major donors not only to the Victory Fund (as Victory Circle members), but also to the DNC and 1992 Clinton-Gore campaign.

Depending upon the surprise guest(s), there may be a 20 minute monologue.

There will be no press unless they buy a ticket (which the Washington Post did do last year).

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01-Jun-1994 01:55pm

TO: 1=US@2=TELEMAIL@3=INTERNET@*RFC-822\VICTORYF(A)AOL.COM@MRX@E
FROM: R. Paul Richard
Office of the Staff Secretary
SUBJECT: Reception, Dinner, etc.

Message to William Waybourn:

As I suspected, I spelled out the Fund's name in my previous message, so it is floating out in the ether somewhere looking for a home. Perhaps this one will have better luck reaching you.

I received the message from Julie in Marsha's office about the trip. I have been planning to travel by train; would that be ok with you (regular train, not Metroliner)?

Rob is going up a few days early to attend the Gay Games. Would the Fund be willing to pick up my share of our hotel on Friday and Saturday nights. My share would be \$50 per night.

Let me know what you think, and if this is ok, I'll run it past Counsel's office for a ruling and for inclusion on my financial disclosure reports.

Thanks for your help, and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Tell your friends they are MORE than welcome here at the WH even (especially) if they are dressed in jeans and a t-shirt.

Pa



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June 13, 1994

The Hon. R. Paul Richard
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& Special Assistant to the President
The White House
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Dear Paul,

The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund is pleased to honor you and the other openly gay and lesbian public officials at *Recognizing Our Own* on Friday, June 24th, at the Supper Club (240 West 47th Street) from 6:30 to 9:30 PM.

In order to ensure that you are properly recognized at the event, please arrive at the Supper Club no later than 7:00 PM. When you arrive, there will be a table at the door where you may pick up your ticket. Please note, this ticket is for you only and is nontransferable.

Also, at *Recognizing Our Own* we will ask all of you to appear as a group on the stage for a photo opportunity. The press will be in attendance recording this historic event and may want to interview you afterwards.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Charles Cox at 202/842.8679.

All of us look forward to seeing you in New York at *Recognizing Our Own*.

Thank you for the work you do on our behalf.

Sincerely,

William Waybourn
Executive Director