

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear John:

It was good hearing from you. I am happy to return the enclosed signed picture.

Good luck in your new position as President of the Futures Industry Association. Thanks for your offer to assist the Administration. Your offer means a lot.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael Deaver", with a stylized flourish at the end.

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. John M. Damgard
President
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August 25, 1983

Mr. Michael K. Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mike,

A chance encounter with the President netted me the enclosed photo while prowling the halls of the E.O.B. I would be most grateful if you could arrange an inscription and a signature.

I'm the relatively new **President of the Futures Industry Association** - representing the commodity industry. We have benefitted tremendously from this administration's philosophic approach to government. The free markets of the United States are the envy of the rest of the world and our industry's meteoric growth is evidence of that.

If our success story can be politically advantageous for the President, we would be anxious and honored to do whatever we can.

Warm regards and best to Carole,

JOHN M. DAMGARD
PRESIDENT

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Mr. Simons:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter offering to give the President a specially engraved Smith & Wesson Model 29, 10-5/8" barrel .44 caliber Magnum revolver. You are correct in your understanding that the President knows and appreciates fine handguns. He would be most pleased and honored to accept this fine specimen.

Due to the laws and regulations governing acceptance of gifts by Federal officials, it is possible that rather than accepting the gift personally, the President would accept it on behalf of the United States for inclusion in the Reagan Presidential Library. In that case, at the conclusion of his Administration, the President would give the handgun to the National Archives for placement in the Reagan Library. Acceptance of that type, however, has the advantage of eventually making this unique handgun available for viewing by the public.

Assuming you agree with this condition to the President's acceptance, his preference regarding engraving is the one we are returning.

Again, our sincere thanks for your most generous offer.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. David G. Simons
Vice President, Sales
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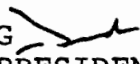
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEEVER
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING 
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Proposed Gift to the President of
Smith & Wesson Handgun

As requested in Bill Sittmann's note, I have reviewed the material concerning the proposed gift to the President of a Smith & Wesson Model 29, 10-5/8 inch barrel, .44 caliber Magnum revolver. While there is no legal impediment to the President accepting this handgun, there are policy/political considerations which should be taken into account in deciding whether to accept it and, if so, in what fashion.

First, there is the issue of conflict of interest -- or more realistically, the appearance of conflict, which results from the acceptance of any gift from a corporation that does business, or seeks to do business, with the Federal government. Not surprisingly, the Federal government does substantial business with Bangor Punta Company, Smith & Wesson's parent. Further, the instant proposed gift being from a company that manufactures handguns, there is, of course, an even greater likelihood of adverse publicity resulting from its acceptance, due to the volatile gun control issue. */ Again, however, this is a policy/political issue, not a legal prohibition. Moreover, if necessary, this concern can be minimized by accepting the gift on behalf of the United States as discussed below.

Regarding methods of acceptance, the President has the choice of accepting the gift personally, in which case it remains his personal property, or accepting on behalf of the United States for possible placement in the Presidential Library. If the President accepts the gift personally, it must be reported in his

*/ Smith & Wesson's letter states that they would like "to recognize President Reagan for his contributions to the United States shooting sports," and that they "sincerely feel that the President's support has been meaningful."

Annual Financial Disclosure Report. (The \$100 minimum limit for reporting would be far exceeded.) If accepted on behalf of the United States for possible placement in the Presidential Library the pistol becomes the property of the United States Government and, no later than at the conclusion of this Administration, the President would have to turn it over to the Archives. Acceptance of this type, however, would not require reporting the gift in the President's Annual Financial Disclosure Report. As a result the possibility of adverse publicity is reduced.

It is my recommendation that the gift be accepted on behalf of the United States, not only to minimize adverse publicity and the addition of what no doubt will be a substantial dollar amount to the total value of gifts received by President and Mrs. Reagan during the current year, but also because it appears to be a fine potential "museum" piece.

Should you agree, I recommend that your response to Smith & Wesson give some notice of the possibility that acceptance will be other than "personal" in view of the comment in their letter that:

We are aware that there are limitations on the value of the items the President may receive as gifts and keep without reimbursing the Government. It would be our desire to create a revolver for President Reagan that he would want to take with him when he leaves office at a minimum inconvenience to him.

Further, before responding to Smith & Wesson, the President, or you on his behalf, should select the preferred type of engraving from the suggestions forwarded with Smith & Wesson's letter.

Attached for your use is a proposed letter to David Simons of Smith & Wesson accepting the gift under the terms recommended herein.

*/ Although some of the engraving sketches propose that the engraving include the Presidential seal, use of the seal in this fashion is not prohibited. The relevant laws and regulations permit use of the seal on items for "[u]se by the President and for "[u]se in libraries, museums, or education facilities incident to . . . exhibits relating to the Presidency. . .



Smith & Wesson

a BANGOR PUNTA Company

May 31, 1983

Mr. Michael K. Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff
Assistant to the President
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Deaver:

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Smith & Wesson would like to recognize President Reagan for his contributions to the United States shooting sports. We sincerely feel that his support has been most meaningful.

It is our understanding that President Reagan knows and appreciates fine handguns. Therefore, it would be our desire to give him a Smith & Wesson Model 29, 10-5/8" barrel .44 caliber Magnum revolver. This model is our newest sporting configuration, designed specifically for hunting and Silhouette target shooting. If after your consideration you feel the President would prefer another handgun model or for any other reason you feel another handgun model would be more appropriate, please so indicate.

It would be our desire to appropriately engrave this revolver for the occasion. The amount of engraving coverage could vary significantly. The more engraving and in-laid that is put on a handgun, the more its value increases. We would appreciate your guidance on President Reagan's taste in this regard so that the finished article will be compatible with his desires and intended uses. We have enclosed various engraving suggestions for your review and comment. These sketches were made by three different engravers and reflect their various ideas. Please feel free to suggest any changes or mixture of ideas that you feel would be appropriate. If you feel a totally different approach would be more appropriate, please let us know and we will be guided accordingly.

We are aware that there are limitations on the value of the items the President may receive as gifts and keep without reimbursing the Government. It would be our desire to create a revolver for President Reagan that he would want to take with him when he leaves office at a minimum inconvenience to him.

If you feel the above idea has merit, your guidance in pursuing this matter would be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

SMITH & WESSON

David G. Simons

Vice President, Sales

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Strom:

Thank you for your recent letter recommending W. Doug Campbell for the position as Chief of Staff to the First Lady. Doug has sent us his resume and he is indeed being considered for the position.

You can be assured I will give your recommendation due consideration.

Thank you for your continued support for the Administration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

The Honorable Strom Thurmond
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510



STROM THURMOND
SOUTH CAROLINA

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The President Pro Tempore

UNITED STATES SENATE

August 8, 1983

Honorable Michael Deaver
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mike:

I understand that W. Doug Campbell, Jr. is under consideration for appointment as Chief of Staff for Mrs. Reagan.

Doug is originally from Ohio, and he has many relatives in South Carolina. He comes from a fine family and has a lovely wife and children.

A graduate of the University of Florida, Doug is currently a Staff Assistant in the Public, Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs Division of the Department of Energy. He has been very supportive of President Reagan, and he continues to be active in the Republican Party.

I would appreciate your giving Doug Campbell your careful consideration for appointment to this position.

With warmest regards and best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Strom".

Strom Thurmond

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Bobbi:

I have returned from vacation to find your memo of August 27th with attached letter to Jim Baker. You can be assured Jim and I will be discussing your ideas and giving them every consideration as we continue to better understand, communicate and act for the President to succeed in bridging the gender gap.

Thank you for taking the time to apprise us of your thoughts and feelings on the issues affecting the gender gap.

I look forward to continued progress being made as we work together. Thank you again for your support.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

The Honorable Bobbi Fiedler
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Bobbi Fiedler

August 27, 1983

The Honorable Michael K. Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff and Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mike:

In your absence, I had a discussion with Jim Baker, and he requested the attached letter to outline my thoughts on issues affecting the gender gap. I'm sure he will discuss with you the context of our conversation.

I hope you had a pleasant vacation. Feel free to call on me for any further assistance. In my absence (until September 12) please contact Diane Jensen in my office.

Sincerely,

Bobbi

BOBBI FIEDLER
Member of Congress

BF:dl

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Bobbi Fiedler

August 27, 1983

The Honorable James A. Baker, III
Chief of Staff and Assistant to the President
1216 Bissonett Avenue
Houston, Texas 77005

Dear Jim:

In sharing with you some ideas for implementing the President's legal equity initiatives, I'd like to make three points on the gender gap: 1) my perception of why women are responding as they are; 2) the political message I believe the President should bring to American women; 3) specific actions which might be most effective in demonstrating the President's commitment to legal equity.

One of the most important messages I hope to convey is a better understanding of the broad context of views of American women. While women's economic position in our society is improving, the "62 cents on the dollar" pay gap and the difficulties of breaking into male-dominated management are continuing, major problems in the job marketplace.

Women yearn for a chance to compete for upward mobility. This is part of American women's new vision, and it's both an economic and civil rights issue. Upward movement has become the focus and goal for working women, as well as for those filling roles as housewives and mothers, who recognize that when the time comes to move into jobs after their children are grown, they want to feel assured that the American way of life offers them the same opportunity offered to their male counterparts. Young women want to know that all doors are open to them and that the sky's the limit. Women in their senior years, who may never have been able to achieve more than service-oriented jobs in their lifetimes, hope that opportunities for their children and grandchildren will be considerably improved.

It is important that the President's attitude does not appear to be frozen in time, but reflects the dynamic changes in society today and respects the diverse choices American women of all ages are making.

The opposition flourishes through its use of destructive tactics that create fear and dependency in its followers, while our fundamental philosophy is the promotion of independence and self-sufficiency. Our philosophy matches women's emerging needs and could be communicated by the President in a more personal, direct way. The President could convey that we will not stand for a leadership that suffocates women's

August 27, 1983

energies, creativity and resolve to achieve these ends, as does the "politics of dependency" proposed by the left.

In the crucial areas of the federal budget and civil rights enforcement, it is imperative that the President not be viewed as standing in the way of progress for women. Currently, the left is implying that his policies are doing just that. The White House should coordinate all OMB and Justice Department decisions to ensure that no Administration actions are viewed as creating for women additional economic disenfranchisement and impediments to legal equity. I believe these two areas provide the breeding ground for further attacks from the left. We should have further discussion in-depth regarding these two areas. I simply would like to caution you at this very sensitive time.

Beyond defensive action, the President must present a clear message of hope for upward mobility to those women struggling at the lower end of the economic spectrum. Lower inflation-interest rates and higher growth are statistics that are just not perceived as relevant to their lives. But the message of the President working to enforce their civil rights and protection under the law is something that inspires and creates an atmosphere for women's renewed confidence to join the system, not fight it, and move forward on their own.

In regard to specific actions, it is urgent that the President alone be viewed as the decision-maker on legal equity initiatives, taking bold and dramatic action, not watered down by the bureaucratic process. The mistake we have made has been to try to resolve specific, smaller issues while failing to capture the attention of the American people over the past two years. Periodic announcements of progress on the "ERA alternative" as now outlined are not enough. A new commitment on President's part and concrete achievements are called for.

Therefore, I would recommend that upon immediate review of the Attorney General reports under Executive Order 12336 the President should announce executive action on at least three to four significant agency practices and regulations, to be implemented within 30 days.

Further, he could announce the appointment of a special assistant to the President to serve as a "watchdog" and to ensure that his new initiatives go through on the fast track. Ideally, a woman with a strong civil rights record, perhaps a former judge, would aggressively administer the projects. With direct access to the President, she would not officially serve under the Attorney General. Subsequent action based on the Attorney General reports should follow quickly, including legislative proposals to the Congress and additional agency policy changes, again announced by the President within several months.

If the ERA alternative is to work, the 50 States Project is crucial and would seem to require a new approach on the President's part on the question of state's rights. I know how strongly he feels that we should not impose federal will on the states. However, an ERA

alternative must address, head on, violation of federal civil rights laws in the fifty states. Therefore, consider the following:

The President should convene a meeting of the Governors concerning the 50 States Project, at which he will request that all research on state codes be completed within 90 days. At the end of that period, upon receipt of all reports, the President would bring together the Governors and their Attorneys General to announce the next phase of the project--- a request to the Governors to present plans for implementation of legislative reforms within six to eight months, enough time to encompass a legislative session in their states.

It is imperative that the President use the hammer of federal authority to underscore his leadership position for change in the urging of implementation of state reforms, including possible subsequent Justice Department enforcement of civil rights laws or the withholding of federal funds. Another approach might be to link to 50 States Project compliance a modest federal incentive grant program for increasing enforcement of equal pay and equal opportunity laws.

As he announces these initiatives, the President could highlight several key points. Without apology, he might communicate that over the last two years it has been necessary to address his full attention to the most critical economic issue: reversing the deteriorating quality of life for all Americans. Now with the economy improving, the present climate of opinions and events requires a new focus and attention to equity and civil rights.

The President could remind us of his long-standing personal involvement in civil rights in the labor movement. He might also provide more of an historical perspective on legal equity problems, which have not begun or increased during the Reagan Administration, but have a long history of neglect by prejudice-dominated state legislatures and Congresses.

Finally, I would say that the White House desperately needs several top-level women, such as Secretaries Heckler and Dole, Nancy Risque and Faith Whittlesley, for example, to serve as a subgroup of advisors to the President. I would be happy to contribute in any way, at any level. This small advisory group would not need to come to the public's attention, but could address what the White House lacks right now: the proper language to communicate to the modern American woman. One person's implementation of policy cannot substitute for the political advice of women out in the field.

The demographic and societal trends behind the gender gap do not reflect women as an oppressed class, but rather as an emerging power with great potential. Republicans have a golden opportunity to offer women a philosophy of government and a framework for their futures that works.

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The Honorable James A. Baker, III

August 27, 1983

With policies that expand the economy and with effective civil rights law enforcement, we can offer greater equality of opportunity for every woman, a greater degree of economic self-determination for herself and her family, and enhancement of the diversity of choice in life which she is now demanding.

I am convinced that with increased understanding, resolve to communicate and commitment to act, the President can succeed in bridging "the gap."

Sincerely,



BOBBI FIEDLER
Member of Congress

BF:dj

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Charlie:

Thank you for sending me my pictures taken at Nancy's birthday party at the ranch. They will be a wonderful remembrance of a marvelous party.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending them to me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

The Honorable Charles Z. Wick
Director
United States Information Agency
Washington, D.C. 20547

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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September 6, 1983

Dear Murph:

Thank you for your recent letter recommending Kevin Tobin for a position on Mrs. Reagan's staff. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter and Kevin's resume to Jim Rosebush, the First Lady's Chief of Staff.

I sincerely appreciate your bringing to our attention such qualified individuals such as Kevin. I am sure Jim will be in touch with Kevin should an appropriate position become available.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. George Murphy
100 Worth Avenue
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GEORGE MURPHY

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100 Worth Avenue
Palm Beach, Florida 33480
August 15, 1983

Mr. Michael Deaver
White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mike:

Received your note on Luciano (Boston). Thank you.

A young friend of mine from Florida hopes to be considered for a position on Mrs. Reagan's staff. His name is Kevin Tobin. He is a fine young man. Served with Marine intelligence in Viet Nam. A successful Business man. Totally dedicated. Should be a great prospect for congress here in a few years. Very attractive. First Class. Has done some "advancing" for our side. I include his fact sheet.

Best wishes to all,


George Murphy

GM/lm

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Ms. Homet:

Thank you for your letter of August 11th with attached resume. I appreciate your letting me know of your availability to increase the Administration's credibility among women and your interest in a job with the Administration.

We will certainly let you know of any suitable position should one arise.

Thank you again for writing.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Ms. Meredith Morgan Homet
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August 11, 1983

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The Honorable
Ronald Reagan
President of the
United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

My dear Mr. President:

I am a lifelong Republican that has supported you since we talked briefly about women's issues at the June, 1980 "Eagles" meeting in San Francisco. We agreed that I could be of service.

Senators Paul Laxalt, Malcolm Wallop, and Chuck Percy think that since I am a feminist it could be mutually advantageous if I were selected now for a Presidential appointment. I am a founder of the Women's National Bank and former Executive Director of the Women's Equity Action League. Occasionally I am asked to speak on domestic issues, most recently on television in Aspen regarding "the gender gap" which I refused to do. However, it would have been much better if someone with both credibility in the women's movement and the administration had presented the issue fairly.

I have been considered for two appointments to no avail. My supporters included Bill McManus and Betty Heitman at the RNC. I am a member of the President's Club and have been a contributor in the past. In addition, the National Association of Women Business Owners, the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the National Mental Health Association, among others, endorse my candidacy.

Please forgive my presuming to write you directly but I do not want to become a victim of miscommunication. I believe I could help increase the Administration's credibility among women.

Sincerely,

Meredith Homet

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Peter:

Just a short note to tell you how much I appreciated receiving the commemorative stamp. They will make a wonderful memento of the first Olympics I'm keenly interested in.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike", written in a cursive style.

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

The Honorable Peter E. Voss
Governor
United States Postal Service
Board of Governors
Washington, D.C. 20260-1000

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Washington, DC 20260-1000

Thank

Thought you might like to have this First Day of
Issue Commemorative for your personal collection
or that of a friend.

With kindest regards,

Peter

Peter E. Voss
Governor
United States Postal Service

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Enclosure

Mike — thought the
Olympics would have an
interest — please save
you the two ~~se~~
~~thank you's~~ — I know you
appreciate them — Best Peter

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Ms. Zarish:

Thank you for your letter of August 23rd. I've taken the liberty of sending the material on to our Advance Office. They have the responsibility of coordinating sites.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Ms. Barbara Zarish
Director of Sales
The Mansion on Turtle Creek
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Bill Sittmann

*sent to
Bill
Hunkel*

August 23, 1983

Mr. Mike Deaver
Assistant to the President
White House West Wing
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Deaver:

Your out of country trip I hope was a most successful one! I am sorry I did not have the opportunity to meet with you on my recent trip to Washington D.C. but hope that my upcoming trip in October will permit this.

Mr. Morgan Mason was so very kind to attempt to set up an appointment with you for me to see how The Mansion on Turtle Creek may be of help to you and your associates for the upcoming 30th Convention. You and your associates are accustomed to the best when traveling and that is exactly what The Mansion has to offer you. We offer exquisite and personalized service, and hope to be your home away from home while visiting Dallas between now and the August, 1984 convention.

If there is anyway I can be of help to you prior to my October visit please do not hesitate to call me. I have enclosed a brochure to better familiarize you with our property, and again, please call me if there is anything I can do!

Most sincerely,

Barbara Zarish

Barbara Zarish
Director of Sales

BZ:ed

Enclosures

cc: Bill Sittmann

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Shelly:

Thank you for your recent letter and the enclosed promotional materials on "Nippers" in Santa Barbara. It sounds wonderful.

Hopefully one of these days Carolyn and I will be able to visit and have a good time.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness in thinking of me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike", written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

MICHAEL K. DEEVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Sheldon H. Sloan
8481 Melrose Place
Los Angeles, California 90069

FROM:

LAW OFFICES OF
SHELDON H. SLOAN
A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION

8481 MELROSE PLACE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90069
(213) 655-6432

Recd. 8/22/83
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Dear Mike:

Enclosed you will find some promotional material regarding some clients of mine who run an unusual place in Santa Barbara called "Nippers".

Since you have been spending time in the vicinity I thought you and Caroline might enjoy stopping by. ~~Needless to say, they would be pleased to have you as a guest, just mention my name to either Horatio or Arthur.~~

I heartily recommend this place as Loraine and I were up there a couple of weeks ago and had a great time.

Best personal regards,



Mr. Michael Deaver
Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington D.C. 20500

August 19, 1983

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Dear Pat:

Thank you sincerely for your thoughtfulness in sending me the beautiful crystal paperweight for my desk. It sits proudly with the others I enjoy every day. But even more meaningful were the thoughts that you expressed in your kind note. I'm forever grateful for your help, support, loyalty and devotion.

Please keep us posted on your activities and drop by and say hello.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mrs. Pat Bye
511 North Wakefield Street
Arlington, Virginia 22203

August 1, 1983

Dear Mike:

There are no words to adequately express my appreciation for the opportunity of having worked with you in the White House. I realize how fortunate I was to have been so close to the President and to have experienced history-making events on a daily basis. I have enjoyed working with Shirley, too. She taught me a lot about politics and I am grateful to her for the time she spent educating me. Over and above the tremendous volume of work that we managed to control, we did have lots of laughs. I know that Bill will continue to lighten your load and watch out for you. He's a good guy!

I want you to know how proud I am of you, Mike. I've benefited greatly both personally and professionally from your outstanding example and patient guidance. Hopefully, my contributions in support of your mission as the Deputy Chief of Staff will be remembered as one of the highlights of your life.

Thank you for assisting me in making the best career decision at least for the time being. I am viewing it as one in which I will benefit by having an opportunity to experience the diplomatic side of the Government and at the same time prepare myself for possible future positions. I'd like to think of myself as a "Mini-Ambassador" here at the State Department as well as during my travels and plan to do everything possible to reflect the high standards the President has set for all of us.

Mike, please tell Mrs. Reagan if I can ever do anything from the sidelines for her, please let me know. I hope that she continues to have nothing but positive results from the many projects she has undertaken and that you and her staff support and encourage her to pursue other personal ideas to help us.

The saying is "Diamonds are forever" and I hope that this little paperweight for your desk will remind you of our continued friendship. My very best wishes to you and Carolyn for continued good health and stamina to carry you through your sometimes impossible tasks and schedules. I will remember you both in my prayers. I miss you both very much.

We really didn't have time to get together before I left but it would be nice if we could have lunch sometime.

Good luck in everything, Mike. If you need me - call. I would do anything for you.

*Warm regards,
Pat*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 6, 1983

Berger
Dear Berger:

In following up on your letter regarding the Corps of Engineers problem I've learned the following.

I have been informed that the Corps has responded positively to Mr. Chapin's July 8, 1983, letter. They have asked Mr. Chapin to provide documentation regarding jurisdiction changes that may occur in California's non-coastal wetlands from the proposed regulations in order to analyze the "managed wetlands" issue during the preparation of their final regulations.

I have contacted the Department of Interior regarding this matter. At the present time the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is carefully reviewing the latest Corps proposal to help the Corps meet its regulatory reform goals without reducing essential environmental safeguards. Those comments, due on August 31, 1983, will address the issue of protecting managed wetlands. While Interior's comments are still in draft, I can assure you they share your concerns about waterfowl habitat in California and the loss of wetlands nationwide.

By the way - thanks for the call. I'm lucky to have the staff I do.

I'm fine now after 10 days at the Lake. Give my best to Carole.

Sincerely,

Mike

MICHAEL K. DEAVER
Assistant to the President
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Berger Benson
Post Office Box 5425
San Mateo, California 94402

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 17, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR MICHAEL K. DEEVER

FROM: CRAIG L. FULLER *CLF*

SUBJECT: California Waterfowl Association Objections
to Corps of Engineer Changes in Wetland
Definition

Attached is a response for a letter to Berger Benson regarding the Corps of Engineers' proposed modification in the definition of "wetlands".

On August 2, the Corps responded to Mr. Chapin. In that reply they invited the California Waterfowl Association to specify what wetlands, in their opinion, would be removed as a result of the regulations.

Under the Clean Water Act, the Corps must regulate activities in navigable waters, territorial seas, surface tributary systems, isolated waters, the destruction of which could affect interstate or foreign commerce and adjacent wetlands. In the proposed regulations, the Corps eliminates from the definition of isolated waters "irrigated areas which would revert to upland if irrigation ceased" and "artificial lakes or ponds." The Fish and wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior is preparing comments that generally support the position of the Waterfowl Association. They are, however, reluctant to make their position known at this time. This response to Berger Benson does hint at this. In light of this there should be no reason to become further involved.

Attachment