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Very truly yours,

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The Honorable Bill Clinton
President of the United States
White House
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Dear President Clinton:

Thank you for all your efforts to establish and fund the Delta Regional Commission. As a farmer with years of service in the Missouri State General Assembly, and a lifelong citizen of Southeast Missouri, I would greatly appreciate an appointment to the Delta Regional Commission.

The area of the state I represent confronts the suffering that comes from poverty, rural isolation and a lack of economic development. We also have a high minority population. As a State Senator, I have made jobs, education and economic development my highest priority. I have also founded a not-for-profit organization known as Creative Communities so we can turn people from despair to the promising, productive lives they deserve.

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Curriculum Vitae
Senator Jerry T. Howard

Jerry T. Howard won election to the Missouri House of Representatives in 1972. He served in the House until 1976. As a life-long resident of Southeast Missouri, Howard knew the severe poverty and lack of economic opportunity in his region first hand. To bring more jobs to the area, keep existing businesses and improve the quality of life, he sponsored and passed legislation creating a state level grant program for water and sewer systems.

In 1987, Howard won a special election for the Missouri House of Representatives. From 1988 to 1990, he served in the House, and in 1990 he won a special election to the Missouri Senate. As a farmer, horse breeder and agribusiness man, Howard recognized agriculture as the backbone of the economy in his district. In his second year in the Senate, he passed major legislation allowing counties in Southeast Missouri to join and form their own underground water district to protect the unique, essential water supplies used for crop irrigation and drinking water in the vast rural area he represents.

As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Howard has worked to improve infrastructure that can link products from the Bootheel with the nation and the world. He has successfully sponsored increases in appropriations for targeted, regional agricultural research, and for badly needed improvements for ports along the Mississippi River that offer tremendous potential for shipping goods from Southeast Missouri. He has also sponsored and passed legislation so farmers can join together to create special research districts so local funds can be used directly to solve specific problems for a particular region.

Howard serves as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Aging, Families and Mental Health and Vice Chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Parks and Tourism. He is also a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, the Appropriations Committee, the Financial and the Governmental Organizations Committee, and the Elections Pensions and Veterans' Affairs Committee. In addition to his Senate Committees, his committee membership also includes the Joint House-Senate Committees on Economic Development Block Grant Oversight, Administrative Rules, Wetlands and Health Care Policy and Planning. He has served as Chairman for both the committees on Wetlands and Administrative Rules. He represents the Missouri State Senate as a member of the Southern Governor's Conferences Board and the Southern Legislative Conference Regional Project on Infant Mortality.

Howard has founded a not-for-profit organization called Creative Communities that is designed to teach and train people, who would otherwise be trapped by poverty or tempted by criminal activity, so they can instead become productive members of the community. He is a graduate of Southeast Missouri State University. He earned a B. S. in Agriculture and Biology with Minors in Chemistry and History.



LEW R. WASSERMAN
CHAIRMAN EMERITUS

June 22, 1998

President William J. Clinton
THE WHITE HOUSE
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed is a list of names in connection with the Library.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,


Lew R. Wasserman
Chairman Emeritus

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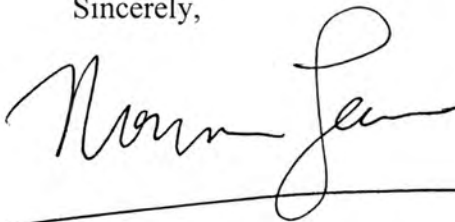
June 16, 1998

Dear Mr. President,

I know how important the tobacco bill is to you and your Administration. But if the word I hear is correct, I want most urgently to ask that you not sign away the school voucher issue as a compromise to pass the tobacco bill. Nothing could be worse for the race situation, which you care so much about, then the destruction of public education – and the vouchers would inevitably amount to just that.

Please continue to fight the voucher issue as you have in the past. Again, nothing could matter more to the essence of your political philosophy – what is best for all.

Sincerely,



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President Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC 20500-2000

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date

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To: Helen Robinson

From: The Staff Secretary

Correspondence will prepare a nice reply for the President to sign. He'll say in his letter that he has scheduling to consider the request.

Phil

June 17, 1998

Mr. William J. Clinton
President
The United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Phil -

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Dear Mr. President:

By way of introduction, my name is James Corrigan and I am a senior at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In fact we have met once before, last May in Baltimore, at the commencement ceremony at Morgan State University. Over the past four years I have been blessed with the opportunity to attend a fine academic institution and receive an excellent education. Much like yourself, I have had the opportunity to study in another country, as well as intern in our nation's capitol for my U.S. Senator.

Unfortunately, such opportunities are not available to all of those that it should be, and the prevailing differences in philosophy about funding higher education are constant in the budget battles that occur in Congress every year. I want to thank you for your commitment to higher education. As a recipient of federal student financial aid, I am thankful for the help it has given me and my family in alleviating the expense of college. I would also like to thank you for your leadership in trying to mold our country into a place where everyone has equal opportunity and access to jobs and essential services, such as quality health care, child care, and education at all levels.

I know how complicated your job must be with all of the demands placed upon you. Not only do you represent our country on the world stage, you are required to raise money for the Democratic party, shape the direction of the United States for future generations, act as a conscience for the Republican party, as well as be a husband and a father. Despite what is written in some of the press, I think that you have been a wonderful example of what this country symbolizes. You were able work hard, educate yourself, and put yourself in a position for a better life and often times I feel like people forget that these opportunities are still a possibility in this country. You haven't forgotten those less fortunate and understand that people need to be given the opportunity to achieve, for themselves, not through handouts or big government programs.

I feel, and I think you will agree, that for the United States to improve ourselves where we are deficient we have to look for new solutions to old problems that consistently are swept under the table. I agree strongly with, Michael Brown, co-founder of city year (the Boston based inner-city volunteer program) who was quoted as saying, "The greatest battle in the 1990's is

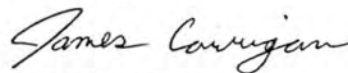
between the forces of cynicism and idealism. If the perpetual scoffing of the cynics prevails, society will suffer because people will fear taking risks, being positive, and trying to solve problems. If idealism prevails, people will try new things, tackle difficult problems and issues, and build institutions that are profitable and meet social needs".

Mr. President, in order for the people of my generation to give up our cynicism toward government officials and government institutions, we need leaders who are willing to cease the partisan attacks and political power plays and speak directly to us and make the tough decisions necessary for this country. I think that you have done a good job with that, but I feel as if more needs to be done on the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue. I think the best way for you to help in that venture is for you to lend more vocal support to changing the way in which we finance campaigns. I fully understand that change happens gradually, that is the reality of life, but I consider Senator McCain's and Senator Feingold's legislation to be the first step in the gradual change that will give the people of the United States a stronger voice in our "democracy".

Now to my request. I think the best way for you to have the most impact on the people of my generation is to speak to us in person, so I am asking if you would be the keynote speaker at the December graduation for Marquette University. I know that this is not a formal invitation from the University, but I could work on that. Also, I am well aware that this is not the typical graduation season and that it isn't the forum that you are used to, and to be perfectly honest, the weather in Milwaukee in December is awful. But, it will give you an opportunity to address a group of individuals looking for someone to inspire change in them. You will be addressing a small group of individuals who are the future of this country. Furthermore I do not think it is fair that the spring graduates should get all of the attention, which includes the President of the United States giving their commencement. We have rights too.

Finally, I am aware that you are not reading this letter, I worked in a Senator's office remember. So please, aide to the President, do not throw this in the, "send a nice reply and I'm sorry the President's schedule doesn't allow for him to attend your graduation" pile. Please give this serious consideration, and if his time permits, ask him to read it. If you are reading this letter Mr. President, I thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I hope that you will give my request serious consideration. If you have any questions or would like to talk, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



James Corrigan
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Milwaukee, WI 53211
(414) 962-0471

cc: Ms. Betty Currie
Ms. Carolyn Huber

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date 7/2

To: *Sandy Berger*
John Podesta
Larry Stein
From: The Staff Secretary

How do you want to
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FAX TRANSMISSION

**Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal
Government to Combat the Proliferation of
Weapons of Mass Destruction**

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26 June 1998

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As chair of "The Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction," I write to inform you that the Commission has come to an abrupt and unexpected end. The Commission was established by the FY97 Intelligence Authorization Act, which you signed into law on October 11, 1996. This Act authorized the Commission to exist for two months beyond submission of a final report, which was due 18 months after the date of enactment. You and Congress jointly appointed Commissioners on December 17, 1997, who were selected on the basis of their experience and expertise, not political affiliation. We held our first meeting on January 29, 1998. From its inception, the Commission expected to function according to the time line specified by Congress, but beginning from the date of our first meeting (as specified in Congressional legislation establishing other commissions).

On March 12, 1998, the Commission submitted to Congress a simple legislative amendment to extend the life of the Commission until July 29, 1999. The Senate in S.1751 unanimously approved the extension on March 30, 1998. The House International Relations Committee, to whom the bill was then referred, did not act on the legislation before Thursday's recess.

On Thursday, June 18, 1998, the Commission learned that the CIA General Counsel had unexpectedly ruled that the Commission's appointment expired on June 11, 1998, two months after the report was supposed to have been due, and that the CIA was unauthorized to support the Commission beyond June 26, 1998.

The President

The premature end of the Commission is most unfortunate. We were undertaking an objective and thorough look at what is working and "...means of improving the effectiveness of the organization of departments and agencies of the Federal Government in meeting the national security interests of the United States with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction." We are confident from the work the Commission has done up to the present that we were moving forward with recommendations for changes in the Departments of State, Defense, and Energy, the Intelligence Community, and the National Security Council that would stimulate debate on this vital subject and encourage you, the senior members of your foreign policy team, and Congress to take steps to strengthen our nonproliferation posture.

I have been unable to reach House International Relations Committee Chairman Gilman to learn his concerns, but I am reliably informed that the Committee is: (1) dissatisfied with the composition of the Commission, (2) concerned that the Commission will speak out against sanctions legislation (however, Congress directed the Commission to examine "the administration of sanctions"), (3) opposed to the Commission's even considering the nation's capacity to respond should a hostile nation or sub-national group use a weapon of mass destruction in this country, and (4) opposed to Commissioners who are currently serving in Federal Government positions.

The Commission members have attempted to engage the Committee on this matter. For example, Speaker Gingrich's appointee, Ambassador Cooper, has expressed his confidence in the Commission's ability to continue in the same non-partisan fashion that has characterized our activities to date. Nevertheless, the House Committee failed to act in time to forestall the shutdown of the Commission. I understand that the Committee might mark up new legislation in July modifying the membership and terms of reference of the Commission but, of course, such a bill would need to return to the Senate for consideration. In the meantime both the Commission and its staff will have dispersed. The Commission is mystified by the House International Relations Committee's lack of action, knowing that this Committee is concerned with strengthening our nonproliferation posture.

In sum, through a combination of delay in the appointment of Commissioners, an unexpected ruling by the CIA General Counsel, and lack of action by the House International Relations Committee, our Commission has ceased to exist.

The short notice for termination of the Commission is especially unfortunate because it means the termination of several talented and dedicated staff members. I do not like to see this happen to people who rely on the government's word; small wonder that young people do not choose public service.

The President

We need not stress the urgency of the potential threats; for example, diversion of a nuclear device from Russia to a terrorist group that threatens and then detonates the weapon in an American city; or the production of biological toxins by an extremist group and its release, say, in the New York subway system, in a scenario similar to the 1995 use of Sarin gas by the Aum Shinrikyo cult in Tokyo. We believe it is timely, especially after the testing of nuclear weapons by both India and Pakistan, for an outside group to examine how well the US Government is organized to deal with the inter-related issues of proliferation. The more we delve into this threat the more concerned, if not alarmed, we become.

We believe you should urge Congress to reestablish the Commission as soon as possible to take advantage of the work that has been done up to date or, if this fails, that you convene our existing Commission or another bipartisan Presidential Commission with a similar mandate to make recommendations on how the nation's nonproliferation efforts can be strengthened.

Respectfully yours
For the Commission



John Deutch

cc: Senator Trent Lott
Senator Tom Daschle
Honorable Newt Gingrich
Honorable Richard Gephardt
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June 19, 1998

President Bill Clinton
Attn: Nancy Hernreich
Office of the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500-0200

Dear Mr. President;

It is my hope that you will continue to do well in all personal and national matters.

Frank Gehry, the architect and good friend, called me after having dinner with you and Ms. Clinton at the White House the night before last. Frank is a great American architect and he and I have worked together for many years.

Frank and I feel very strongly that an architectural competition for the Clinton Library would preclude the opportunity for you to work with the architect from the very beginning of the project so that the selected design includes your concept and ideas of what the library should be, otherwise you will get a designer "cookie-cutter" library building. Think for a moment of President Thomas Jefferson's involvement in public architecture and the wonderful legacy he produced, and the intimate roll Mrs. Kennedy played with the architect in the design of the JFK Library.

Frank and I are interested in a collaboration with you and your family as part of a planning and design team from start to finish.

Sincerely,

Robert Tannen

cc: Frank Gehry

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Send to ~~Bruce~~ *Bruce* *Handing* *for reply*
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Executive Director

June 18, 1998

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Ms. Nancy Hernreich, Executive Assistant
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Hernreich:

Enclosed, please find an invitation for the President to speak at the Arkansas Education Association Summer Leadership Conference to be held on July 29th, 30th and 31st, 1998 at Wilson World Hotel in Pine Bluff. "Our Public Schools: Challenges and Opportunities" will be the theme of this year's conference.

If possible, we would like for the President to speak at our opening luncheon on the 29th. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. AEA's recommended candidate for Governor, is also scheduled to make remarks at this luncheon.

Please contact one of us, or our Administrative Assistant, Annette Thomas-Jones, at the number listed on this letterhead. We hope that the President will be able to accept our invitation, and we look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Linda Pondexter
President

Cora D. McHenry
Executive Director

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cc: Richard Hutchinson, Director of Government Relations

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CORA McHENRY

Executive Director

June 18, 1998

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. President:

The Arkansas Education Association invites you to speak at the Association's annual Summer Leadership Conference to be held on July 29th, 30th and 31st, 1998 at Wilson World Hotel in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Over four hundred teachers and other educational employees will be in attendance at this conference, focusing on the theme, "Our Public Schools: Challenges and Opportunities".

If your schedule permits, we would like for you to speak at our opening luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on the 29th of July. If you are unable to attend the opening luncheon, we would be pleased to arrange an alternate time during the conference for you to speak.

The AEA's recommended candidate for Governor, Bill Bristow, has also been invited to participate in the conference. We know that you agree with AEA on the importance of electing a pro-education Governor in Arkansas.

We hope that you will be able to attend this conference and look forward to hearing from a member of your staff at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Linda Pondexter
President

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Executive Director

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