

September 25, 1972

Dear Mr. Champion:

The President has asked this office to thank you for your letter of September 19, regarding black Americans.

Unfortunately, the President's demanding schedule in the coming weeks will make it impossible for him to meet with you at this time. However, on behalf of the President, I would be more than happy to meet with you and discuss your proposal.

Herbert G. Klein has asked me to thank you for your articles of support.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Stanley S. Scott
Assistant to the Director
of Communications
for the Executive Branch

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
Editor
Grass Roots News
24 Dewitt Place
New Rochelle, New York 10801

Ltr to the Pres., dtd 9/1/72, fm Jackson R. Champion,
24 Dewitt Place, New Rochelle, N.Y. req appnt with
him or staff member to discuss need to publish Black
political point of view and, also, that the Adm. send
printed material to WASHINGTON
annual exposition of People United to Save Humanity
in Chicago's amphitheatre, Sept. 27-Oct. 1

Date 9/6/72

MEMO FOR: HERBERT KLEIN

FROM: DAVID PARKER

The attached is for your appropriate handling.

Thank you.

February 15, 1972

Dear Mr. Champion:

The President has asked me to thank you for your recent letter and to apologize for the delay in responding.

We are glad to hear of your New York Coliseum conference; the "piggyback" concept you describe has already been endorsed by the President's National Advisory Council on Minority Business Enterprise.

It is not at all difficult to get in touch with the Department of Commerce about the minority enterprise program, but to make it easy I will take the liberty of referring your letter directly to Mr. John Jenkins who is the Director of the Office of Minority Business Enterprise in the Department. I will ask Mr. Jenkins or one of his senior staff associates to get in touch with you directly so that you can explore the availability of the kind of assistance you seek.

Sincerely,

Leonard Garment

Mr. Jackson R. Champion, Publisher
Grass Roots News
24 West 45th Street
New York, New York 10036

bcc: OMBE, Jenkins

January 11, 1972

Dear Mr. Champion:

The President has asked this office to respond to your warm and gracious invitation to attend your trade conference scheduled for December 12-17, 1971.

Unfortunately, during the holiday season, most of our schedules are such that it is difficult to attend any event.

We hope, however, that it was a success and we wish you continuing success in the future.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Brown
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
Chairman and President
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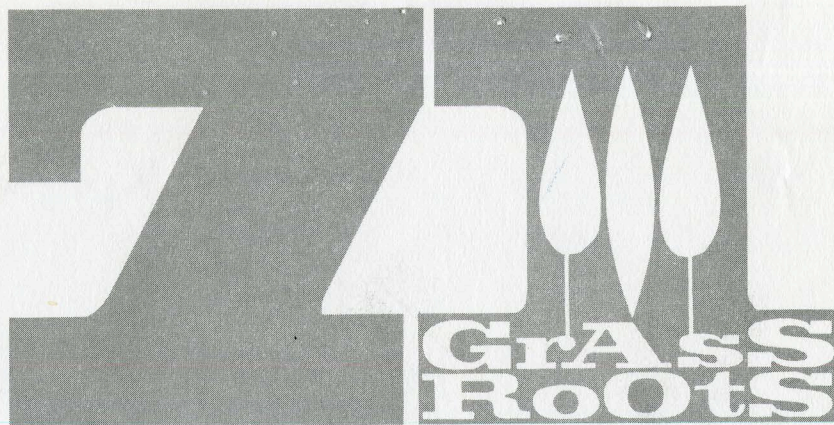
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November 22, 1971

The President
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. President:

We at Grass Roots trust that you are well aware of our upcoming Trade Conference, scheduled for December 12-17 at the New York Coliseum. Here we plan to offer advice and training to minority businessmen, with the aim of assisting these entrepreneurs achieve a more self-reliant and independent role in this nation's free enterprise system. This task is to be accomplished by presenting pertinent information on how to serve the country's largest purchasers, namely government agencies, manufacturing corporations, and retail outlets. You will recognize this as a response to your October 13th Executive Order 11625, calling for new and challenging program plans for coordinating national effort to aid minority-owned businesses.

Response to our requests for assistance and leadership from the private sector (major manufacturing corporations and financial institutions in particular), plus retail merchants has demonstrated an almost total disregard for this urgent call for unified effort in giving disadvantaged groups a greater stake in the American economy. Grass Roots fully supported your national program to bring about a new prosperity for the country, and treasure your certificate of appreciation. However, we have been forced to question the reaction of federal agencies

The President
THE WHITE HOUSE

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and departments charged by you to take major responsibilities in your recent Executive Order. Few have agreed to lend expertise and leadership to our general sessions and workshops; and only one, the Veterans Administration, has committed itself to taking an exhibition booth to display before the participants and general public in attendance present programs of your Administration designed to strengthen and expand minority enterprises. We are most grateful to Senator Jacob K. Javits, since the few government agency responses to date were initiated by his Office.

Again we are writing to seek assistance from you for support of our efforts to respond to your request to the private sectors in 11625. You can do this by:

- 1) making a public statement through the mass media endorsing this Trade Conference, and emphasizing our mutual objectives of cooperation, revitalization, and economic prosperity for minority businesses.
- 2) encouraging federal agencies and divisions to participate in all phases of our conference to aid minority enterprises; especially in taking exhibition booths to present their assistance programs in a visual manner. One must recognize that our resources for fulfilling the conference objective outlined above come from solicitation of the exhibition booths.
- 3) urging leadership and expertise at the Conference sessions and workshops from the nation's major corporations, in particular those presently holding prime contracts and subcontracts from the federal and state governments.

Of primary concern is that the failure of the government agencies and private businesses to join us in this cooperative endeavor places the credibility of Executive Order 11625 (designed to expand minority managerial and

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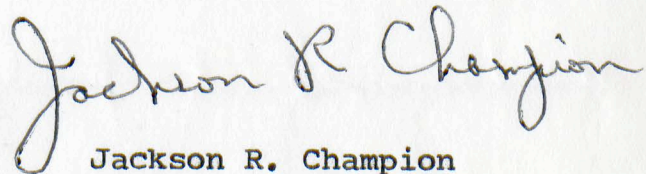
ownership opportunities) before minority groups of this nation and the world. For our greatest response for full participation in this week-long event has come from two groups:

- 1) minority-owned suppliers of goods and services, seeking assistance on how to get into the mainstream of our economic system, and
- 2) permanent members and trade representatives of the present session of the United Nations. The 124 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary members and their entire Mission have been invited to attend and take part in all aspects of the conference.

In the event that we have misread the intentions proclaimed in Executive Order 11625, calling for the private sectors to join with the Administration in aiding minority-owned enterprises we would certainly like to be informed. Otherwise, some response from your Office to this third request for support and assistance would be greatly appreciated.

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Respectfully Yours,



Jackson R. Champion

cc: Mr. Robert J. Brown
Special Assistant to the President

The Honorable Jacob K. Javits
United States Senator from New York

IX/1971/ST32/New York

November 3, 1971

Dear Mr. Champion:

On behalf of President Nixon, I would like to thank you for your letter of October 7, 1971, regarding your upcoming Trade and Cultural Exposition.

I regret to report that the extreme demands being placed on the President's schedule during the upcoming months will make it impossible for him to attend this event. Nonetheless, we would like to offer our best wishes for the success of both this venture and your continuing efforts to foster economic self-sufficiency in your community.

Also, your generous words of support were appreciated by us all.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Brown
Special Assistant
to the President

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October 20, 1971

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Dear Mr. Champion:

Your recent letter in support of our new economic policy confirms my belief that Americans are eager to meet the challenges of peace. With the cooperation of our fellow countrymen, we can revitalize the spirit which made this nation strong in the past and can win a new era of prosperity. Temporary sacrifices may be required, but I am deeply encouraged to learn of your willingness to join in this great investment for our country's future.

With my best wishes,

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

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October 19, 1971

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Dear Mr. Champion:

I am pleased to enclose this Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of the support you have shown for the President's program to win a new era of prosperity for every American. Your faith in the goodness of this country and your willingness to help restore the spirit which made her strong in the past mean a great deal to the President, and this Certificate comes to you with his very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Michael B. Smith
Staff Assistant

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
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Enclosure

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Ltr to the Pres dtd 10'7/71 fm Jackson R. Champion,
Chairman, Grass Roots Exposition, Inc., 24 W. 45th St
NYC 10036 asking **THE WHITE HOUSE**
his assistance and support of the Exposition and also
to keynote ribbon cutting ceremony on Dec. 11.
WASHINGTON

Date: October 20, 1971

MEMO FOR **ROBERT BROWN**

FROM: **DAVID PARKER**

The attached is for your appropriate handling **and to
regret the invitation to the President.**

Thank you.

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NOTE FOR DNP

OK to send this to
Mr Robt. Brown
to handle for us?

Thanks.

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October 7, 1971

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. President:

I was delighted to receive the thoughtful response to my letter, supporting your recent economic stance. Some very sound decisions were made in that announcement to the American public and the world. Admittedly, I was overwhelmed that you took time from your busy schedule for this acknowledgement.

Of particular interest and relevance was the statement emphasizing the need for cooperation among our fellow countrymen in order to revitalize the spirit which made this nation strong. Your optimism for a new era of prosperity being achieved was also very well received.

This December, from the 11th thru the 19th, Grass Roots, Inc. will sponsor a Trade and Cultural Exposition at the New York Coliseum. It is your very concepts of cooperation, revitalization, and prosperity that we wish to get across at this expo. Our major objective will be to:

- 1) bring together four sectors of our society: large corporations, small black businesses, consumers, and government agencies,
- 2) provide a platform for free exchange of information, expertise, and service through dialogue and demonstrations.

October 7, 1971

To date we envision seminars, lectures, exhibits, and cultural events, all bringing the four factions together to meet issues like:

- health and nutrition
- consumerism
- black politics
- urban renewal
- education
- advertising and marketing
- banking

I regret to say that up to this time some 28 government agencies (see enclosed list) have been asked to lend leadership and participate in this venture. To date, none have made firm commitments. With such a response as this, one can only wonder if these public servants are fully in tune with your convictions for cooperation among Americans to achieve a new era of prosperity -- and peace? For at the December expo we are seriously attempting to aid in the initiation and continuation of economic advancement among minority businesses, as well as individuals of economically depressed areas.

Mr. President, in light of your encouraging remarks for our nation's future, from the recent correspondence, I would like to seek your assistance and support of the Grass Roots Trade and Cultural venture in December. This can be accomplished in several ways:

firstly, a public written statement of endorsement, emphasizing our mutual objectives of cooperation, revitalization, and economic prosperity.

secondly, a request from you to the agencies (see enclosed list) to come together and join us by explaining some of the tremendous projects and programs your Administration is seriously concerned with making minority individuals and communities more viable. You have appointed many black Americans to high ranking positions in your Administration. Their physical presence would certainly lend and enhance the credibility of your concern and involvement with the country's minority population. I'm sure we both recognize that this group is becoming more significant in national politics.

Finally, if you were available on Sunday, December 11th to serve as keynote speaker at the ribbon cutting ceremony, this would be the highest honor.

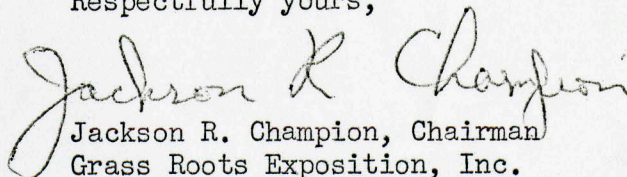
The President

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October 7, 1971

Let me close by again commending you on your bold administrative steps toward saving our economy, and your thoughtful response to my earlier letter. May you continue to have God's blessings in your task of governing these United States.

Respectfully yours,


Jackson R. Champion, Chairman
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5. Office of Federal Contract Compliance
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7. Army, Air Force and Navy Exchanges
8. Department of Justice
9. Manpower Development Training
10. Small Business Administration
11. Civil Service Commission
12. Minority Volunteer Recruitment for the Peace Corps
13. Manpower Administration Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training
14. Department of Transportation
15. Department of Commerce
16. Office of Consumer Affairs
17. Atomic Energy Commission
18. Department of Agriculture
19. Office of Education
20. Department of Housing and Urban Development
21. Office of Minority Business Enterprises
22. Veterans Administration
23. Postal Service
24. Office of Economic Opportunity
25. State Department
26. Security and Exchange Commission
27. Federal Trade Commission
28. Federal Communications Commission

September 24, 1971

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Dear Mr. Champion:

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With my best wishes,

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20405

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Honorable Robert J. Brown
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Bob:

The General Services Administration has scheduled its second Minority Business Procurement Conference in Washington for March 20. Expert counsellors on my staff will work closely with representatives of the Department of Commerce in advising minority entrepreneurs on how they can acquire Government contracts, both through the provisions of Section 8a of the Small Business Act and through competitive bidding.

During January, the Region 3 Business Services Center here in Washington solicited bids from 124 firms which resulted in 17 contracts for \$52,306 for minority firms.

My staff in San Francisco is negotiating for an 8a contract with the Watts Manufacturing Company for export packing. If negotiations are successful, the firm will receive a term contract with an estimated value of from \$500,000 to \$1 million. During November and December, the San Francisco office awarded 36 contracts for \$12,453.79 to minority firms through competitive bidding.

Jackson P. Champion

In line with our policy to accommodate employees who have unusual personal problems, five women custodial laborers were given new assignments during January. Ill health of the employee or a member of her family, desire to attend school at night, and children at home with no parental supervision were among the reasons listed by the employees for seeking changes in work assignments.

It always is gratifying to learn that one's efforts are accomplishing some good and are appreciated. GSA's Regional Administrator for this area, William Badger, received a letter from Nathaniel D. Williams, President of the Clean-Rite Maintenance Company, Inc., telling of the help he received from the Business Service Center staff in Region 3. "They allayed any fears that I had about my race being an acceptable contractor," Mr. Williams says in his letter. A copy is enclosed.

Nothing else sent to
Central Files as of 3/23/70
W.P.

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Keep Freedom in Your Future With U.S. Savings Bonds

February 11, 1970

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
Champion Sales Agency
24 West 45th Street
New York, New York

Reurtels to the President, sincerely regret must advise that the schedule is such that we do not foresee a time when an appointment could be arranged for you.

Hugh W. Sloan, Jr.
Staff Assistant to the President

HWS:hc

CC: Office of Minority Business Enterprise - with copies of incoming - for followup, if appropriate

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

To: The Secretary of Commerce

Date: October 22, 1969

ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:
 - President's signature.
 - Undersigned's signature.
- Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- Direct reply.
- Furnish information copy.
- Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- For your information.
- For comment.

NOTE

Prompt action is essential.

If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

Description:

Letter: Telegram: Other:

To: The President

From: Jackson R. Champion, ⁺Champion Sales Agency, New York, N. Y.

Date: 10/22/69

Subject: Announcement of opening of black-owned company, Champion Sales Agency, on October 29th.

By direction of the President:

Noble M. Melencamp
Staff Assistant
to the President

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▶ PRESIDENT RICHARD M NIXON
WHITE HOUSE DC 20500

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AS YOUR APPOINTED MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WASHINGTON TECHNICAL INSTITUTE I HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO REPRESENT WTI AT THE 4TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES (ACCT), IN NEW ORLEANS FROM NOVEMBER 1-3. I'M PROUD TO REPORT TO YOU THAT DURING THESE MEETINGS I WAS ELECTED TO THE 27-MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ACCT. THIS IS AN ORGANIZATION OF 375 COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTES LOCATED AROUND THE COUNTRY, WITH HEADQUARTERS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. AS A BLACK REPUBLICAN AND PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTEE I CARRIED AN OVERWHELMING VICTORY IN THE NOMINATION AND ELECTION FROM THE FLOOR. IN LIGHT OF THE SELF-RELIANCE GOALS OF YOUR ADMINISTRATION MR PRESIDENT I PLEDGE TO SERVE IN THIS NEW CAPACITY WITH CONTINUED ENERGY AND HONOR. RESPECTFULLY YOURS

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ltr to RN from Jackson R. Champion, President,
Grass Roots, Inc. inviting RN to reception 9-6-73,
luncheon 9-26-73, seminar 2/3-6/74 and conference
5/25-30/74

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Date August 3, 1973

MEMO FOR

STAN SCOTT

FROM

DAVID PARKER

The attached is for your appropriate handling.

Thank you.

RETURN

Grass Roots News

Relating For Better Race Relations
and Self-Reliance of Minorities

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Appointments*

July 31, 1973

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APPOINTMENT OFFICE

Mr. Richard M. Nixon
President of the United States
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to thank you for appointing me to the Board of Vocational Education, that is a member of the Board of Trustees of Washington Technical Institute. After four years of effort toward implementing your stated goal of self reliance for minorities, and from time to time a letter to you on my progress in this direction, it is not only an honor but also an obligation for me to continue in this direction. Your faith in me by such a prestigious appointment merely gives added impetus to my efforts.

This appointment came at a most appropriate time. For now Grass Roots, through its communications organ Grass Roots News, is kicking off a game plan of four events in the very near future. The first will be a reception on September 6th. This will be followed by a luncheon on September 26th. A two day seminar on February 3-6 will be followed by a six day conference/workshop/exposition from May 25-30. All of these events, booked at the Sheraton Park Hotel, will hopefully lead to the administration's policies of self determination and self reliance. We would be honored to have you or a representative of the White House staff in attendance.

Of course it goes without saying that this will be a two prong endeavor: the first being to tie in with your self

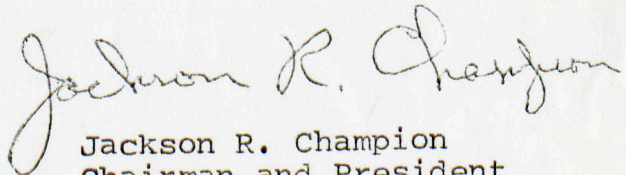
July 31, 1973

President Richard M. Nixon

reliance priority for minorities and the second establishing and building a base among minorities for the Republican party in upcoming elections. Grass Roots has been calling for participation and cooperation from all areas of government and the private sector to help us in this full commitment. This commitment to self reliance. So you can well understand how I felt about your gesture of recognition.

Thank you again for your faith and trust. I shall lend every effort toward serving as diligently as possible in the position you have entrusted to me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jackson R. Champion". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Jackson R. Champion
Chairman and President
Grass Roots, Inc.

October 18, 1973

Dear Mr. Champion:

On behalf of the President, I am responding to your letter of September 15.

It was thoughtful of you to write and let us know of your continuing support. We are grateful for the concern which prompted your letter.

The will to succeed in spite of tremendous odds, which was inherent in your correspondence, is one of the basic principles which has made America the truly great Nation we know it to be. Your letter strengthens my conviction that this Nation will achieve the great goals and make the progress we all seek, because of that indomitable will to succeed which you have shown.

With our best wishes,

Sincerely,

Stanley S. Scott
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
Editor and Publisher
Grass Roots News
907 Sixth Street, SW.
Washington, D. C. 20024

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November 28, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: KEN CLAWSON

FROM: STAN SCOTT

SUBJECT: Jackson Champion
Grass Root News
907 6th Street, S. W.
Washington, D. C. 20024

Champion has become a proverbial pest for several offices at the White House. He wants nothing less than a signed letter of endorsement by the President for his efforts that are still fuzzy even in his own mind. We have extended every possible courtesy to him.

He reflects very poor judgement in his demands and he wants the White House to pave the way or direct the Executive Branch to provide him with:

subscriptions
advertising
fund raising receptions
seminars
grants.

There is little if any substance in his poorly planned efforts and any assistance would probably backfire as aiding "ripoff".

Attachment

SScott/JCalhoun:ph

EXECUTIVE

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 12, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JERRY JONES

SUBJECT:

Board of Vocational Education.

Attached for your signature are the commissions for the following-named persons to be members of the Board of Vocational Education:

Jackson R. ^{*}Champion, of the District of Columbia, Owner, Champion Sales Agency and Champion Public Relations Agency, Chairman and President, Grass Roots, Inc., Washington, D. C. vice Albert E. Albertoni, term expired.

Fernando ^{*}Oaxaca, of California, Vice President and Director, Civil Systems Division, Ultrasystems, Inc., Newport Beach, California, reappointment.

Carolyn A. ^{*}Twineame, of the District of Columbia, Civic Worker, Washington, D. C. vice Helen Edmonds, term expired.

All necessary checks have been completed.

*Ported in Copy 6/29/73.
Resubmitted 6/27/73
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 17, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: JERRY JONES
FROM: SAM SCHULHOF *Sam*
SUBJECT: Jackson Champion

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cc: John Calhoun

To Sam
Schulhof -
Has Calhoun
left him (Jack)
off the part
time list?
If the WHPO
has been
including
him on
the list
Calhoun
should
call
Champion
& eat a
little
crow -
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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SAM SCHULHOF

FROM:

JERRY H. JONES

Jack Champion, a local black who we apparently appointed to the Washington Polytech Institute, called me this morning. He felt he had been deliberately left off our list of black part-time appointees which we publish from time to time and he wanted very much to be included; in fact he thought we were purposely leaving him off our list. Calhoun, over in Stan Scott's office, put the ding on the WHPO for having left Jack off.

Further, Jack has a wife named Dr. Lorrie Moragne who is a GS-14 at USDA. Jack would appreciate very much if we would have his wife interviewed, hopefully by Anne Armstrong, and placed in a more responsible position.

You might want to check both Jack and his wife to see if it is worth our time to assist them further.

January 10, 1974

Dear Mr. Champion:

Thank you for your recent correspondence to the President. He appreciates the helpful interest of all of his fellow citizens in making their views known to him.

The spirit which prompted your offer to serve your country is certainly appreciated. We shall be happy to keep your name on file in the White House should the need for your services arise.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Jerry H. Jones
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
Editor and Publisher
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Relating For Better Race Relations
and Self-Reliance of Minorities

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December 27, 1973

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Mr. Richard M. Nixon
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

JJ
Dear Mr. President:

Please let me take this opportunity to wish you and your family a new year of good health, peace and joy.

Mr. President, I personally wish to thank you for signing into law the Home Rule Act for the District of Columbia. I am a long time supporter of your goals of self reliance for minorities and also a strong advocate of your doctrine of self reliance and self determination. Since I am now a resident of the District, this historic signing will help make self reliance and self determination a reality.

Enclosed you will find a brief resume which presents more insight into my activities. If I can be of further service to you and your Administration I would be honored. God bless you in the New Year. Our country needs you more now than ever.

Sincerely,

Jackson R. Champion
Jackson R. Champion
Editor and Publisher
GRASS ROOTS NEWS

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-RESUME-

Jackson R. Champion

073-16-6188

Present Address:

Waterside Towers, Apartment 704C
907 Sixth Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20024
(202) 488-8787

Marital Status:

Married
Lenora Moragne, Ph.D.
Head, Nutrition Education & Training
Food and Nutrition Service, USDA

Three children
Two grandchildren

State of Health:

Excellent

Date & Place of Birth:

March 18, 1923
New Rochelle, New York

Present Position:

Editor and Publisher
GRASS ROOTS NEWS
monthly publication speaking to
minority participation in the
free enterprise system.
55,000 circulation to 50 States, the
District of Columbia, Caribbean area
and West Africa

Educational Background: Diploma

New Rochelle High
New Rochelle, New York 1941

Certif

Howard University
Washington, D.C. 1941

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Certificate Pohn Institute of
Insurance
New York, New York 1949

License Insurance Broker's 1949

Military Experience:

United States Army 1942 to 1947
Disabled Veteran
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Employment:

(always self employed) 1953-1971
Owner, Champion Sales Agency
New York, New York

Chairman and President 1970-present
Grass Roots Incorporated

Memberships:

Elected to National Board of 11-73
Directors, Association of Community
College Trustees (ACCT)
representing 375 member colleges

Appointed by President Nixon to 8-73
Board of Vocational Education
Washington Technical Institute
Washington, D.C.

Elected to Board of Assembly 11-72
Southwest Washington, D.C.

Capitol City Republican Club
D.C. Chamber of Commerce
NAACP
National Urban League
Operation Breadbasket-PUSH

Awards, Honors:

Citation from National Council 6-72
Afro-American Republicans (NCAAR)

Certificate of Appreciation 10-71
President Richard M. Nixon

Foreign Travel:

Traveled extensively throughout
Europe, Africa, the Caribbean and
the United States

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Recent Political Activities: Reporter, National Republican Convention 8-72
Miami, Florida

Delegate, Black Political Congress 3-72
Gary, Indiana

Delegate, New York State Black Assembly 2-72
New York, New York

Recent Speaking Engagements: To annual meeting of New York State NAACP 10-73
October 24 in Buffalo
Topic: "Economic Development Among Minority Businesses: Need For New Directions".

On Mutual Network News 7-73
July 20 from Washington, D.C.
Topic: "Black Republicans Speak Out".

On Harambee Television Show 9-72
CBS Channel 9
Topic: "The Role of Black Republicans in Today's Politics".

Recent Writings:

Authored editorials appearing in The New York Times, The Chicago Defender, The New York Amsterdam News, the Atlanta World, the Louisiana Weekly as well as the monthly commerce oriented magazine Black Business Digest.

References:

Mr. A.B. Hermann
Executive Director
REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE
310 First Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C.
(202) 484-6500

CONFIDENTIAL
REFERRAL

TO WHITE HOUSE PERSONNEL OPERATION

FROM :

STAN ARMSTRONG

May 23, 1973

Subject : Referral of Jackson R. Champion
(Name of Individual)

X

In response to your vacancy notice of _____
(Date)

for the position of _____

This candidate deserves a.

Must

High Priority

Courtesy

Routine Referral

consideration for a position in your agency A resume on the individual is attached.

This candidate should be interviewed.

Please note your disposition on the carbon copy and return by June 15, 1973

Helen M. Quincey
HELEN M. QUINCEY

AGENCY ACTION

This candidate

Is under Active
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Was not
selected

Resume is being kept
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Ron Garner

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Jackson R. Champiom

ADDRESS: 907 Sixth Street, S.W.
Waterside Towers Apts.
#704 C
Washington, D.C. 20024

Area Code 1202
TELEPHONE: Home: 488-8781
Office:

CURRENT POSITION:

self-employed /
owner, Champion Sales Agency

SALARY LEVEL:

unknown

RESUMES REQUESTED:

Date

RESUMES RECEIVED:

Date

INTERVIEWED:

Date

By

Area of interest/expertise

sales / public relations / writing - editing (minority group - black)

RESUME PROCESSED

DATE

DEPARTMENT / AGENCY

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5/5/73

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PLACED (Describe)

DATE

DEPARTMENT / AGENCY

POSITION

Consultant

Permanent

REMARKS

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 - Dr Ermon Hogan

March 14, 1973

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Dear Mr. Champion:

Mr. Stan Scott has brought to my attention your recent letter to him in which you expressed interest in working with the Administration.

I have reviewed your resume and found your qualifications to be outstanding. I have taken the liberty of alerting my colleagues to your offer to serve in the hopes that we may develop some challenging possibilities for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Jerry H. Jones
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Jackson R. Champion
Chairman and President
Grass Roots, Inc.
907 Sixth Street, SW.
Washington, D. C. 20024

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Courtesy
to HUD
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February 27, 1973

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Dear Mr. Champion:

This is in response to your letter to the President of January 13.

During the past several weeks a freeze has been placed on all new commitments by the Office of Minority Business Enterprise; therefore, it has not been possible for us to give your proposal the consideration it would have received under normal circumstances. It is probable that within the near future we will be able to give this matter our attention once again.

With our best wishes.

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Resume sent to Jerry Jones' office

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