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THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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DATE RECEIVED: AUGUST 24, 1987

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE JAMES R. DOUGHERTY

SUBJECT: WRITES CONCERNING CONSIDERATION OF VENTURA COUNTY FOR THE RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1987

Dear Mr. Dougherty:

Thank you for your letter dated August 20, 1987, addressed to the President, urging that the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library be located in Ventura County.

We have referred your letter to the Honorable W. Glenn Campbell, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation, for his consideration.

Your interest and courtesy in writing are very much appreciated.

Sincerely, Original Signed by ABC

Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr. Counsel to the President

Mr. James R. Dougherty Board of Supervisors, 4th District County of Ventura 3190 East Cochrain Street Simi Valley, California 93065

cc: The Hon. W. Glenn Campbell (w/enc.)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX(

SUBJECT:

Correspondence from Member of Ventura County Board of Supervisors Urging Location of Reagan Presidential Library in Ventura County

As requested, the attached letter is for your signature.

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MAGGIE ERICKSON



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JAMES R. DOUGHERTY SUPERVISOR, FOURTH DISTRICT (805) 584-4811

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF VENTURA

3190 EAST COCHRAN STREET, SIMI VALLEY, CALIFORNIA 93065

August 20, 1987

Mr. Ronald Reagan The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

It has come to my attention that you are considering Ventura County as the permanent home for the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and the Ronald Reagan Center for Public Affairs. Allow me to extend my personal welcome to you and Mrs. Reagan, to the Trustees of the Presidential Foundation, and to your representatives. We view this opportunity as a benefit for Ventura County in many ways. We are confident that you will find our county a suitable and hospitable place to locate these significant institutions.

The site that has been offered by Blakeley Swartz is in my District. Let me assure you that we will move as promptly as legally possible, to provide all of the permits required to start construction and occupy the facilities. Our goal is to assist you in planning and executing the finest plans possible. The site with its views over the Valley, to the ocean and Channel Islands is spectacular and well chosen.

During your analysis of this site, if you have any questions, please feel free to call me at any time. At the time you plan to make a public announcement, we would appreciate the chance to coordinate with you.

Sincerely,

JAMES R. DOUGHERTY

Board of Supervisors, 4th District

cc:

Mr. Gary L. Jones, Executive Director Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation

Donald E. Swartz, Partner Blakeley Swartz

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 8, 1987

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MEMORANDUM FOR FRED RYAN

FROM: BIFF HENLEY Biff

SUBJECT: President Reagan's Library Plans

I have prepared this list of tasks to be accomplished through the coordinated efforts of the National Archives, the White House, and the Ronald Reagan Foundation. They are divided into four categories and not in a particular order.

1. National Archives

A. Processing of papers and materials

 assign an Archivist to Records Management (RM) - papers were submitted to the Personnel Office on September 1

 conduct an office survey of papers and electronic media that is currently house in each office - this will be repeated in approximately one year

3. assemble a staff to work in RM to review the papers for

the opening of the Library

4. plan for the transfer of computer records from the NSC and OA data bases - what format will they transfer, what equipment will be required in California, what software has to be written and by whom, how many tapes will be required, is microimage to be used, is documentation available for all the programs, where will the computer be located and will the former President's Office have access, as you can see there are many questions that must be addressed and this is only the beginning

5. select the temporary site in California to house papers and materials until the Library is built, identify equipment and security systems, allows for the formation

of a staff there.

6. plan for the physical move to California - in the past Administrations this was accomplished with the cooperation of the Department of the Army transportation people who provided vehicles and the security necessary to transport National Security documents and materials - this could be done in stages, i.e. some papers/materials could now be identified and moved to California

Project staff

- A. Develop time schedule to
 - 1. utilize resources in DC from National Archives to work on papers here but they will not move to California
 - 2. utilize resources in DC from National Archives to work on papers here who will move to California
 - 3. hire personnel for California
- B. Reference Material must be collected
 - 1. New York Times microfilm
 - 2. Washington Post microfilm
 - 3. Washington Times microfilm
 - 4. Who's Who in America
 - 5. Dictionaries
 - 6. Congressional Directories
 - 7. and many more
- C. Identify personnel for positions of
 - Project Staff select person to head up staff, he will develop time schedules for the completion of tasks, hire the personnel to do tasks, and keep everything "on track"
 - 2. Curator begins identifying exhibit objects in DC prior to designing the exhibits that will be created at Library
 - 3. Audio Visual begins talking to the people in DC who actually took photographs, motion picture film, video tape so he can obtain as much information as possible while these people are still available there is a need to know the answers to questions such as how many photographs were taken, when was a photograph/cameraman present for an event, what was videotaped from the networks, what equipment will be needed in California, how are they stored, indexed, etc.
 - 4. Oral History do we even want to begin working on this? It isn't necessary but it is a "foot up" and I think the Foundation would be interested in helping to provide the resources to start the ball rolling. Historically the Library Foundations have provided resources for this activity and seem to have the most interest in it being accomplished.
- D. White House project completion activities that began during the Administration but not yet complete
 - 1. Oral History Exit Interviews
 - 2. Scrapbooks for the President and First Lady
 - 3. President's Daily Diary
 - 4. National Security material to be declassified

3. Former President's Office

- A. Administration Accomplishments documented
 - send memorandum to Department/Agencies requesting a short history of their major accomplishments during President Reagan's terms, providing background material when appropriate
- B. Statistical Information gathered
 - 1. inflation
 - 2. unemployment
 - 3. GNP
 - 4. housing
 - 5. retail sales
 - 6. etc.
- C. Resource materials/tools
 - purchase if the Library staff is close to the Former President's staff these can be shared as well as the staffs themselves
- D. Correspondence unit usually staffed by volunteers and only busy for the first three or four months after the close of an Administration
 - 1. line up a staff
 - 2. identify volunteers
 - 3. prepare card acknowledgements and have printed
 - 4. select photographs and have printed
 - 5. make left over children's booklets available
 - 6. have President's and First Lady's stationary printed
 - 7. identify the equipment that will be needed
 - 8. purchase labels for mailings
 - 9. what space and communications are required
 - 10. other office needs

E. Transportation

- First Family personal items are usually moved by a private mover - the National Archives provides the funds only for the papers and materials not personal belongings
- F. First Lady's Office
 - 1. Is it the same as the President's, or will she have her own staff and space?

4. Library

- A. Plan for the exhibits mentioned in 2C2 above

- B. Foundation to hire the design firm to design/build exhibits
 C. Identify and plan programs, lectures and conferences
 D. Identify endowment funds for scholarships/grants in research
 E. Develop dedication plan (including the invitation list)

THE WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET TD# 513938

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: SEPTEMBER 16, 1987

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. JOHN C. SHEPHERD

SUBJECT: EXPRESSES REGRET AND DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THE

REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY WILL NOT BE

LOCATED AT STANFORD AND OFFERS ANY ASSISTANCE

TO THE PRESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 8, 1988

Dear Mr. Shepherd:

Thank you for your letter addressed to the President concerning the Reagan library and your kind offer of assistance to the President and members of the Presidential Library Foundation. You may correspond directly with the Foundation at the following address:

The Honorable William French Smith Chairman of the Board of Trustees Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007

Again, thank you for your interest in the Reagan library.

Sincerely,

C. Christopher Cox

Senior Associate Counsel to the President

Mr. John C. Shepherd Chairman Board of Overseers Hoover Institution Stanford, California 94305-6010

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Stanford, California 94305-6010



JOHN C. SHEPHERD Chairman, Board of Overseers September 10, 1987

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

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Hoover Institution's Board of Overseers, I wish to express our regret and disappointment that your Presidential Library will not be located on the Stanford University campus. The loss of the library is a major misfortune for the scholars and students at Stanford and for the Northern California community. We know how hard Dr. Campbell and Charles Palm and other members of the Hoover staff have worked to bring your Presidential Library to Stanford University.

We have been honored by your continuing association with the Hoover Institution as an honorary fellow. In future years, your achievements as President will be of growing interest to scholars and policy makers. Your library is certain to play an important role in the shaping of major events in this country and throughout the world.

Even though your Presidential Library will not be located on the Stanford campus, the Hoover Institution and its Board of Overseers stand ready to assist you and the members of your Presidential Foundation. We trust that there can be a close association between your library and the Hoover Institution that will reflect our interest and our admiration and esteem for you and Mrs. Reagan and for your dedicated and untiring efforts on behalf of the United States and the free world.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

John C. Shepherd

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Howard and Ms. Bender:

Thank you for your joint letter dated July 15, 1987, addressed to the President, urging that the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library be located in Ventura County, California.

We have referred your letter to the Honorable W. Glenn Campbell, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation, for his consideration.

Your interest and courtesy in writing are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by ABC

Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr. Counsel to the President

Mr. Howard W. Voight
President
Ms. Nancy Bender
Executive Director
Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce
250 Easy Street, #1
Simi Valley, California 93065

cc: The Hon. W. Glenn Campbell (w/enc.)



SIMI VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

July 15, 1987

President Ronald Reagan 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20005

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NANCY BENDER Executive Director DONNA SKAER Program Coordinator CAROL WILSON Administrative Assistant Dear President Reagan:

a lone We understand that the Presidential Library and Center for Public Policy is coming to Southern California. We in Ventura County are eager to assist you in any way we can.

PR: Lorary 1.

On behalf of the citizens of our community we wholeheartedly welcome this repository for American History and our heritage. We would be pleased to extend ourselves to meet with you or your appointed representative to make the siting and approval process smooth, speedy and direct.

The location of the repository in Ventura County would be a great honor and of tremendous benefit to all of our citizens.

Sincerely yours.

SIMI VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Howard W. Voigt

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Executive Director

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cc: Gary Jones, Executive Director

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1987

Dear Mr. Mackel:

Thank you for your letter dated July 16, 1987, addressed to the President, urging that the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library be located in Ventura County, California.

We have referred your letter to the Honorable W. Glenn Campbell, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation, for his consideration.

Your interest and courtesy in writing are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by ABC

Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr. Counsel to the President

Mr. Thomas S. Mackel The Mackel Company 12716 Riverside Drive North Hollywood, California 91607-3329

cc: The Hon. W. Glenn Campbell (w/enc.)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COX (

SUBJECT:

Correspondence from the General Public Urging that Ronald Reagan Presidential Library be Located in

Ventura County, California

The three attached letters for your signature are identical to similar letters recently received on this subject.

THE MACKEL COMPANY

12716 RIVERSIDE DRIVE . NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 91607-3329 . (818) 509-9550

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July 16, 1987

President Ronald Reagan Ronald Reagan White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President: I am in hopes that you and The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation will seriously consider Ventura County as the place to locate The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and The Ronald Reagan Center for Public Affairs.

I have been very active in the Ventura County for the past ten years and find it is a very exciting and enjoyable place to be. The site offered in the Terra Rejada Valley with its many amenities is a site you must see. I have worked with all the Governmental Agencies in the County and feel that you would find them to be very cooperative.

In closing, the strength of Ventura County is a strong community blessed with good people.

Sincerely,

Thomas S. Mackel

TSM:sb

cc: Gary L. Jones

Executive Director

Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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November 5, 1987



Dear Mr. Valley:

On behalf of Mrs. Reagan, thank you for your recent letter informing us of your idea for the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. We appreciate your interest in the President and Mrs. Reagan's activities.

May I suggest, however, that you contact the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation directly. I'm sure individuals there would be interested in hearing from you. The address is: Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation, 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, N.W., Suite 820, Washington, D.C. 20007, 202/342-2900.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write. With best wishes,

Sincerely,

James F. Manning Director of Projects

Office of the First Lady

Mr. Ken Valley
Exhibit Technology Incorporated
31 E. 28 Street
New York, NY 10016



October 26, 1987

Mrs. Nancy Reagan First Lady The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Reagan:

I believe the following information will be of significant interest not only to you and the President but to the American people, now and for generations to come.

Through the technology of computers and random access videodiscs, it is now possible to conduct an interview or carry on a conversation with a person even though that person is not present. Imagine how appropriate and rewarding it would be for visitors to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library to actually be able to carry on a conversation with the President even though the President is elsewhere and involved in other matters.

While at first this may sound like magic or hype, I assure you it is not. Approximately five years ago my company, Exhibit Technology, the acknowledged leader in designing and producing computer-based interactive presentations, produced such a program for IBM. To help explain the concept, let me describe the IBM program and how it worked.

The program allowed visitors to ask totally free-form questions of the sculptor Jacques Lipchitz. We used Lipchitz as the subject because we had access to nearly sixty hours of videotaped interviews with him in which he talked about his life as a sculptor. We transferred the contents of the videotapes to videodiscs and placed the videodiscs under the control of a computer. This allowed the computer to locate and present on a television monitor any video segment within one or two seconds. This technique is now fairly common as industrial videodiscs are used in this manner in many exhibits and in hundreds, if not thousands, of training situations around the country.

What is not so common, and to the best of my knowledge has not been repeated, is the next two steps. First, we wrote a program that extracted the essence and meaning of any posed question, even though the questions could be totally free-form without a predetermined format or any other type of restrictions. Next, we categorized the content of all the video material and programmed the computer to make the optimum match between the user's questions and Jacques' replies.

The results were astounding. One could ask a question of Jacques Lipchitz and he would immediately appear on the television monitor and answer it. In asking the questions, one could be totally natural. If, for example, one asked: "How did you get started in art?", Jacques would recall being in the kitchen with his mother where she allowed him to sculpt animals from bread dough and how his mother later influenced his work. If that question was followed with: "Other than your mother, who most influenced your work?", Jacques would appear on screen to explain how he was influenced by Picasso.

While I was delighted that IBM selected us to produce this extraordinary program, it continues to trouble me that the great people of our time are not being recorded in this manner. The impact on a family at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library as they carry on a conversation with the President would be tremendous. Equally important, conversations with the President will be possible for all the generations to follow. It would be as if you and I could converse with President Lincoln.

As you might imagine, this type of program requires a great deal of research. In the case of President Reagan, much of the material already exists on videotape and film. However, there is the need to research and assess all such material to determine what areas or subjects are not adequately covered. It would be prudent to start such research well in advance of the planning for the library, so the footage yet required can be clearly identified and perhaps taped over an extended period of time. This would avoid placing the President in a situation where many hours of interviews must be taped in a short period of time.

Mrs. Reagan, I hope you share my enthusiasm for such a program and agree that it should be a part of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. I also hope we can discuss this further. I look forward to hearing from you or your office.

Sincerely,

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THE RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION

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December 4, 1987



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

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of December 1st - and your kind words which are much appreciated.

I will certainly present Fred Ryan's name to the Board of Trustees at its next meeting where, in accordance with your wishes, I am sure he will be elected as a new Trustee. Fred's participation will be very helpful as we proceed with this exciting project.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

William French Smith

Chairman

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I would like to enlarge the Board of Trustees to include Fred Ryan. Would you please make the arrangements to add him as a Trustee.

Again, thank you for all that you are doing.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 25, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR.

ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND

DIRECTOR OF PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

AND SCHEDULING

FROM:

ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR. COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

Original Signed by

SUBJECT:

Legal Issues in Connection with Potential Membership on the Board of Trustees of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation

As you requested, this memorandum outlines the legal and policy issues raised by your potential appointment as a Trustee of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation. In reviewing these issues, we examined five specific areas, as outlined below.

1. Articles of Incorporation

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation is incorporated under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law of California. Its Articles of Incorporation, which have been filed in California and the District of Columbia, contain no limitation on the qualifications of Trustees.

2. Bylaws

Article V of the bylaws of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation places all responsibilities relating to the management and control of the Foundation's property, business, and affairs in the Trustees. Appointments of new Trustees are to be made, "subject to the approval of President Ronald Reagan, by the [current] Trustees . . . "The bylaws contain no other restriction or qualification for appointment as a Trustee.

3. Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law

Chapter 2, article 3 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law, § 5231, imposes upon each Trustee of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation an obligation to perform his duties "in a manner such director believes to be in the best interests of the Corporation and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would use under similar

circumstances." The Trustee's duty of care, including the obligation to undertake "reasonable inquiry," requires that each Trustee devote adequate time and attention to the business affairs of the Foundation. In addition, various other provisions of the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law impose duties upon the Trustees and provide penalties for failure to comply with statutory standards. Because the cumulative effect of the legal duties imposed upon a Trustee is to require a substantial time commitment from him, consideration must be given to the appearance of conflict with your full-time duties as Director of the Office of Private Sector Initiatives and Director of Presidential Scheduling that would be created by becoming a Trustee.

4. Internal Revenue Code

The Articles of Incorporation of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation provide that the Foundation "is organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Foundation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on . . . by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) " The Articles of Incorporation specifically incorporate a restriction in Section 501(c)(3) that no part of the Foundation's activities may consist of "attempting to influence legislation." Both the Articles and Section 501(c)(3) also prohibit Foundation involvement in "any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office." Since the White House itself is engaged on a regular basis in introducing legislation of various kinds, and in supporting various political candidates, care would need to be taken to insulate your White House activities from activities as a Trustee in behalf of the Foundation.

5. Executive Order 11222

Section 202 of Executive Order 11222 provides that no government employee may "engage in any outside employment . . . which might result in a conflict, or an apparent conflict [with] his official government duties and responsibilities . . . " This provision requires, among other things, that a full-time White House officer cannot undertake outside responsibilities which would interfere, actually or apparently, with devotion of his full time and attention to official government business.

Section 204 of Executive Order 11222 provides that a government employee "shall not use Federal property of any kind for other than officially approved activities." This provision would require that White House staff, office, telephone, secretarial services, and supplies could not be used by a Trustee in pursuing private Foundation business.

Conclusion

There is no express legal bar to service by a White House officer as a Trustee of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation. In order to avoid any potential for apparent conflict of interest, however, you would--if you chose to accept appointment as as Trustee--be well advised to make special efforts to insulate your full-time White House duties from performance of Foundation obligations.

The obligation imposed upon a White House officer under Executive Order 11222 to devote substantially all of his time and energies to his full-time government job is inherently at odds with the statutory command in the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law that a Trustee exercise due care and reasonably investigate all aspects relating to the business, property, and management of the Foundation. This inherent conflict is heightened by the fact that your White House responsibilities include management of two separate offices, as well as new responsibilities in a third sphere relating to relocation of the President and Mrs. Reagan to California in 1989, and preparations therefor.

While the time commitment conflict and problems concerning use of Federal property for Foundation business can be minimized through careful attention on your part, you may wish to avoid these troublesome issues altogether by choosing instead to attend meetings of the Foundation as an invited guest, solely in your capacity as a government employee. Because the White House has a legitimate liaison interest in the work of the Foundation, your attendance at such meetings in this capacity would be perfectly appropriate. Travel could be paid for from government funds, and liaison work with the Foundation could be accomplished utilizing White House staff, equipment, and supplies.

Nonetheless, this office will not interpose objection to your serving as a Trustee of the Foundation, should you determine it is prudent to do so--subject, of course, to careful observance of the restrictions described above.

Thank you for submitting this matter for our review and consideration.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 7, 1987

Dear Mr. Kamins:

Thank you for your letter dated November 19, 1987, concerning the Reagan library. Your letter has been referred to this office for response.

The Reagan library will be constructed under the direction of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation. You may correspond directly with the Foundation at the following address:

The Honorable William French Smith Chairman of the Board of Trustees Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Foundation 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007

Your interest in the Reagan library is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by ABC

Arthur B. Culvahouse, Jr. Counsel to the President

Mr. Bernard F. Kamins 11236 Cashmere Street Los Angeles, California 90049

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WASHINGTON

December 7, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR ARTHUR B. CULVAHOUSE, JR.

FROM:

C. CHRISTOPHER COR

SUBJECT:

Correspondence Concerning Reagan Library

As requested, the attached letter is for your signature.

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November 19, 1987

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Dear (President) Ron:

Would you please direct this to whomever has a hand in the proposed building of the President Reagan Library so that I can find out what their needs are?

Thanks.

My best to you and Nancy.

Bernie