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August 2, 1984

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Sincerely,

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Fred F. Fielding Counsel to the President

Mr. John E. Sheehan Chief Executive Officer Johnstown Corporation 545 Central Avenue Johnstown, PA 15902

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WASHINGTON

August 2, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Correspondence From John E. Sheehan Concerning the "Gender Gap" Issue

John E. Sheehan, CEO of the Johnstown Corporation and former member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, has written the President to suggest a strategy for closing the so-called "gender gap." Under Sheehan's plan, the Chief Justice would retire one week after the Republican Convention, to accept appointment as Ambassador to the Court of St. James. The President would elevate Justice O'Connor two weeks later, and then name yet another women to succeed O'Connor two weeks after that. Presto! The gender gap vanishes.

The attached draft response to Sheehan notes that the Chief's retirement decision is his alone, and that any appointments the President may make to the Supreme Court will not be based on such crass political considerations. It also suggests that the President's record on women's issues -- as it becomes more widely known -- should suffice to close the "gender gap."

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THE CHIEF JUSTICE WOULD ANNOUNCE HIS RETIREMENT, YOU THEN APPOINT HIM
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BY, EACH DAY DROPPING "PEBBLES IN THE MEDIA POND STIRRING INTENSE
SPECULATION, AND DOMINATING THE MEDIA, THEN NAME SANDRA O'CONNOR AS
CHIEF JUSTICE, HER CONFIRMATION PROCEEDING THEN WOULD ABSORB ANOTHER
2 WEEKS OR SO, THEN BEGIN DROPPING ADDITIONAL PEBBLES IN THE MEDIA
POND RE HER SUCCESSOR, AFTER A WEEK OR TWO NAME ANOTHER WOMAN, HER
CONFIRMATION SHOULS TAKE ANOTHER 2 WEEKS OR SO GIVEN THE FOREGOING,
YOU WOULD NOT ONLY CO-OPP THE GENDER ISSUE, BUT ALSO DOMINATE THE
MEDIA FOR MANY WEEKS OF THE FEW REMAINING UNTIL NOVEMBER

THE KEY TO THIS, I REALIZE, IS THE CHIEF JUSTICE. AT AGE 75, HE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT IF YOU ARE NOT RE-ELECTED, AN ULTRA, LIBERAL WILL FOLLOW HIM ON THE COURT

REMEMBER IF LYNDON JOHNSON COULD CONVINCE ABE FORTAS TO GO ON THE COURT AND ARTHUR GOLDBERG TO GET OFF BY NAMING HIM TO THE UN, I AM CONFIDENT THAT YOU CAN PREVAIL IN THIS INSTANCE

JOHN E SHEEHAN

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
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April 7, 1983

Dear Mr. Crow:

Thank you for your letter requesting authorization to use the Seal of the President in a sculpture. It is our understanding that the sculpture would accompany a display of Presidential letters you have collected.

The permitted uses of the Seal of the President are limited by statute and executive order. I have attached a copy of the pertinent provisions for your information. You will notice that the regulations permit the use of the Seal "in libraries, museums, or educational facilities incident to ... exhibits relating to ... the Presidency." While your contemplated use does not precisely fit this category, it is our understanding that your display of Presidential letters will be open to the public free of charge and that the proposed use of the Seal is in-no way connected with any commercial activity. It is also our understanding that the display is of significant historical and educational value. In light of these unique circumstances I have decided to authorize your proposed use of the Seal of the President.

Thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of our office, and best of luck with the sculpture and display.

Sincerely,
Orig. signed by FFF

Fred F. Fielding Counsel to the President

Mr. Harlan R. Crow Partner Trammell Crow Company 717 North Harwood Street Suite 2200 Dallas, Texas 75201

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
April 7, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT: Use of the Presidential Seal by Miley Busic

in a Three Dimensional Representation Utilizing

the concept of the Seal of the President

The attached correspondence has been revised per our conversation of this morning.

Roberts

Trammell Grow Company 717 N. Harwood Street Suite 2200 Dallas, Texas 75201 214/744-9300

March 18, 1983

The Honorable Fred Fielding Chief Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. Fielding:

During the last two years I have acquired a special collection of important letters written by each of our United States Presidents. I have put this collection on permanent display in a major new building in downtown Dallas. The display is open to the public without charge and is displayed in a specially made, secure case which will ensure these documents are preserved for the future.

Dr. Larry Sall of the University of Texas at Dallas, has helped in the acquisition of the collection. In fact, President Reagan was so kind as to send me a letter for my collection.

I am working with Ms. Miley Busic, an artist here in Dallas, to make a sculpture which I would like to install adjacent to the collection. I understand that she has discussed this with you. You may also know that she was responsible for the sculpture, "Together a New Beginning," which was used at the inaguration of President Reagan and is in the Oval Office today.

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The sculpture which she is working on for us is a three dimensional representation utilizing the concept of the Seal of the President. It is my understanding that in order for us to make this representation of the Seal we need to have written authority from your office. Please accept this letter as our written request for your approval to use a likeness of the Seal to make this piece of sculpture. The sculpture will be accurate in detail and symbolism. We would be happy to furnish photos of the progress and the completed sculpture.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

TRAMMELL CROW COMPANY

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Harlan R. Crow

Partner

HRC/pc

cc: Ms. Miley Busic

WASHINGTON

August 7, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR ROGER CLEGG

ASSOCIATE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT:

Telegram Concerning Allegations

of Criminal Wrongdoing

I do not know what to make of this garbled telegram, but it appears that it might contain allegations of criminal wrongdoing. It is, accordingly, referred to the Department of Justice for whatever action you consider appropriate. This office has no continuing interest in this matter, and has not responded to D. Melody Wolfe in any way.

Many thanks.

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December 10, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Scandal in the Department of Agriculture

Tom Minary has written Mr. Baker to urge him to have the Federal Bureau of Investigation launch an investigation into the "worst criminal fraud bribery and conspiracy scandal in the history of our country." That is, of course, the grain drying shrinkage schedule scandal, allegedly involving Cargill, Inc. and high-ranking Department of Agriculture officials. Supposedly Cargill, conspiring with USDA, brought about a shift from the use of tables developed by Mr. Minary to measure grain shrinkage in elevators to a different system more favorable to Cargill and less favorable to farmers. Minary has already contacted GAO and the FBI directly. His allegations should be referred to Justice for handling.

Attachment

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR CAROL E. DINKINS

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FROM:

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT Orig. signed by FFF

SUBJECT:

Scandal in the Department of Agriculture

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