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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Request for
photograph
with the
President
Cunny, I think,
found out who
handles matters like this
and she should
transmit accordingly.



August 16, 1974

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Special Assistant to
President Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Sir:

Enclosed attachments are self evident.

The Communication sent to me by The White House on March 19, 1974 in request for a photograph with Mr. Nixon as a result of the rescues I was involved in was met with denial because of Pressures of Government, Watergate, etc. The rescue of Mr. Len Coburn and his Son on January 6, 1974, I will point out, is a U. S. Postal employee at West Palm Beach, Florida. (see newspaper clipping)

I would like a photograph with President Ford at any time at his convenience, if however, this is impossible, please send to me a scroll similar to the one enclosed for meritorius achievement. I would appreciate it.

I was born in Port Chester, N.Y. on October 8, 1916. Married to the former Catherine McCann, a Republican. A member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Port Chester, N.Y., St. George's Episcopal Church Riviera Beach, Florida, The Masonic Order 32nd Degree, a Shriner, A Past Exalted Ruler B. P. O. E #863, Port Chester, N.Y. and a Senior Active Rotarian, 16 years. Please note in the First Rescue, the 81 year old Harry Martinson was a Mason as well.

As I have stated in the above, there is no immediate hurry about this but this recognition I would like from President Ford. I will travel to Washington at my own expense.

Contact me, Dominick A. Colangelo
117 west 17th St.
Riviera Beach, Florida 33404

Mail: Box 9624
Riviera Beach Florida 33404

Winter Home from 10/15/74 to 5/15/75... Tel: 305-844-4861
Under the name of Pete Martis
Summer Home from 5/15/74 to 10/15/74.... Tel 914-939 7426 mornings
Residence : 38 Soundview Street
Port Chester, N.Y. 10573
P. O. Box 396, Rye, N.Y. 10580

Respectfully yours,

Dominick A. Colangelo



August 31, 1974

To: Mildred Leonard

From: Phil Buchen



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PMS HONORABLE PHIL BUCHEN, COUNCIL TO THE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON DC

I RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THAT PRESIDENT FORD GET IN TOUCH WITH
MR AND MRS DAVID TAYLOR OF ALEXANDRIA VIRGINIA, THE SU ECT
OF NEWSPAPER STORIES (8-11-74 AP) REGARDING THE FACT THAT THE
TAYLORS HAVE PRESIDENT FORDS OLD ALEXANDRIA TELEPHONE NUMBER,
AND ARE RECEIVING ALL KINDS OF CALLS.

I ADVISE THIS FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: (1) IT IS A DECENT
AND CIVILIZED THING TO DO, FOR ANYBODY, UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES
TO EVEN IF THE PRESIDENT CANNOT GET SUBSTANTIVE STIMULATION
FROM A MEETING WITH THESE PEOPLE, THE MERE FACT THAT THE PRESIDENT
IS IN PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE IS BENEFICIAL

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TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO THE PRESIDENCY. PRIOR PRESIDENTS HAD
ALWAYS AT LEAST SUPERFICIALLY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE PEOPLE
IN THIS WAY AND THE FACT THAT PRESIDENT NIXON DISCONTINUED THIS
TO A DEGREE WAS PART OF HIS UNDOING

RICHARD T TOMAR ESQUIRE 1775 K STREET NORTHWEST WASHINGTON

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9/14/74

To: Mildred Leonard

From: Eva Daughtrey

Is this one you could help with?

Attachment: Letter from Don Blackwell



August 30, 1974

Mr. Phil Buchen
c/o The Office of the President
The Honorable President Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Buchen:

For a collection of Presidential memorabilia on our new President Ford, might you or your office staff be so very generous to help me with my educational collection on President Ford?

Might you have any duplicate souvenirs items of any thing that has any bearing to the time, when President Ford was your law partner, etc. Any letter etc, you could make a photo-copy print of, bearing the President's name on your law firm's "letter-head" etc.

See, any interesting photographic prints of you and Pres. Ford together years ago, or any items you may be able to locate from the President or his Presidential staff will be so very deeply and very sincerely appreciated.



Any such, Vice Presidential, or Presidential
"souvenir items will be very helpful.

My collection was started as a hobby in 1957, after
an illness, and has grown so, that it will be
left the student library college study rooms for
student and public view.

Often Presidents have granted, playing cards,
with their name, ball point pens bearing their
signature, cuff-links, tie-bars, etc, and I have
items from when, Mr. Nixon was with the
law firm in New York in the 60's so any tie-
in items will be so deeply appreciated

With sincere thanks for any generous kindness
or interest granted,

Sincerely,
Don Blackwell

P.O. Box: 2702 - Sta. D.
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808



ITEM WITHDRAWAL SHEET
WITHDRAWAL ID 01342

Collection/Series/Folder ID : 001900512
Reason for Withdrawal : DR,Donor restriction
Type of Material : NOT,Notes
Creator's Name : Leonard, Mildred
Receiver's Name : Daughtrey, Eva
Description : Personal matter concerning Louis
Contner.
Creation Date : 09/27/1974
Date Withdrawn : 09/27/1974

September 23, 1974

To: Mildred

From: Eva

Mildred, here is a lovely sermon by Duncan Littlefair, which Mr. Buchen took in to the President the night of his Second Press Conference.

See attached notes and the President's request that you write his thanks to Duncan's comments.



*Leonard
Mildred*

November 2, 1974

Dear Mr. Fitzpatrick:

You were most thoughtful to ask that I be supplied with a medal in commemoration of the President's inauguration.

However, to avoid any possible appearance that acceptance of this gift is inconsistent with the standards of conduct applicable to me in my particular position, I am returning the item to you under separate cover.

I trust you will understand my reasons for this step.

Sincerely yours,

**Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President**

**Mr. Frank J. Fitzpatrick, Jr.
Vice President
Franklin Mint Corporation
Franklin Center, Pennsylvania 19063**



Pass on to
Mildred Leonard
please.

J. Mildred
Leonard

P.

Thursday 11/14/74

11:00 This book was sent from

Dr. L. Merklin, Jr.
42 Derwen Road
Bala-Cynwyd, Pennsylvania 19004

Inside of the flap reads

"For President Ford, with the good
wishes of the author --

Lewis Merklin, Jr., M.D.
November 1974 "

Title of book ---- "They Chose Honor -- The Problem
of Conscience in Custody"
(Harper & Row, Publishers)



11/25/74

Mildred Leonard:

This came in
to me a month or
more ago, but I
can't remember how.

I leave its disposition
to you. P.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

1935 PLYMOUTH S. E.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49506

President Gerald Ford
White House
Washington, D.C.



December 9, 1974

Mildred
Leonard

MEMORANDUM FOR: MILDRED LEONARD

FROM: PHILIP W. BUCHEN

**SUBJECT: Request for Permission to
Use President's Picture on
Special Envelopes**

The fact that the sample envelope contains the Presidential Seal suggests that special permission for this was obtained, since the reproduction would otherwise be illegal. The letter does not indicate what, if any, connection the writer had with the former President or his relationship to President Ford. An envelope containing the President's picture and the Seal should not be used in any way that is not subject to the President's control.

Your reply should state that permission to reproduce either the picture or the Seal can be granted only for official uses, and that none are indicated by his letter. It is also not clear whether this use of the President's picture and Seal is being exploited commercially, which would be improper.



Thursday 8/28/75

Meeting
8/28/75
12:40 p.m.

12:40 Mr. Buchen stopped by and talked with
Mildred Leonard.



Mildred

Wednesday 8/27/75

10:00 Mildred had indicated she would like to see you
some time when you have a moment.

You have been so busy that we hadn't had a chance
to get her in. This morning she called and said
she had had a call in since August 1st (?) and I absolutely
don't have any memory of that. Nevertheless, I asked
if I could help and she said "No." Said no one else
was available either -- personnel or anywhere. I asked
if this is something personal and she said "I wouldn't
think of disturbing Mr. Buchen for anything personal."
I told her I meant -- President personal -- and she said
it was. She indicates Jim Harvey, a former Congressman --
now U.S. District Judge -- wants to be appointed to the District
Court of Appeals or some other court.

I told her we would get back to her as soon as we can.
She seemed quite upset.



Thursday 11/20/75

11:30 Quite some time ago you had borrowed from
Mildred Leonard the 1972 log for Mr. Ford.

Dottle just asked for it, and I have returned it to
them.



COPY - Mr. Buchen

Grand Rapids, Mich.
November 26, 1975

Miss Mildred Leonard
Personal Secretary to President Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mildred:

Once again imposing on your kindness to see that these invitations to the official dedication of our Civic Auditorium as the George W. Welsh Civic Auditorium are passed on to those to whom they are addressed.

I know that it will be impossible for any of them to attend, but do hope they can send a little note of acknowledgment to Bill Johnson, our general chairman of arrangements for this occasion. Their note should be addressed to William Johnson, in care of the Civic Auditorium office, to be read on the fifteenth of December.

Thanking you again for all your kindness in the past and with every good wish for a joyous and happy Christmas.

Always your friend,

Tom Walsh
Tom Walsh



You are cordially invited to attend the

OFFICIAL DEDICATION OF
CIVIC AUDITORIUM

as the

GEORGE W. WELSH CIVIC AUDITORIUM

in the Black and Silver Room

Monday, December 15, 1975, at 11:00 A.M.

*at which time a new portrait, permanently
placed in the outer lobby, will be unveiled.*

THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS
AUDITORIUM BOARD OF CONTROL
DEDICATION COMMITTEE

Tom Walsh

Mr Philip Buchen

Leonard,
Mildred

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

7/14/76

Mr. Buchen
said OK.

Lee



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date 7/13

TO: Phil Buchen

FROM: BARRY ROTH

ACTION:

Approval/Signature

Comments/Recommendations

For Your Information

REMARKS:

Is this OK to respond to
John Milonowski. We can
redo for your signature
if you prefer.

Barry



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Milanowski:

Mildred Leonard has asked me to respond to your letter of July 7 concerning the Presidential plate which the Tuberculosis, Health, and Emphysema Society is planning to use for fundraising.

We have been unable to determine with whom you spoke concerning possible White House approval. However, the President's likeness and the other items pictured in the drawing are within the public domain and approval by the White House for such use is unnecessary. Although use of the Seal of the President and Vice President is limited by statute and Executive Order, its use in this fashion is in accordance with Executive Order 11649, a copy of which is enclosed.

I trust that this is responsive to your inquiry. With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Barry N. Roth
Assistant Counsel

Mr. John P. Milanowski
Milanowski & Milanowski
Suite 601 - Peoples Building
60-66 Monroe Avenue, N.W.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Enclosure

bcc: Mildred Leonard



EXECUTIVE ORDER

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AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11649, REGULATIONS
GOVERNING THE SEALS OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

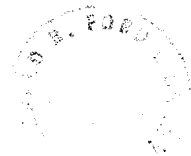
By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 713(b) of title 18 of the United States Code, subsection (b) of section 1 of Executive Order No. 11649 is amended to read as follows:

"(b) Use in encyclopedias, dictionaries, books, journals, pamphlets, periodicals, or magazines incident to a description or history of seals, coats of arms, heraldry, or the Presidency or Vice Presidency;"

Gerald R. Ford

THE WHITE HOUSE,

May 28, 1976.



Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSEEXECUTIVE ORDERREGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SEALS OF
THE PRESIDENT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES

By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 713(b) of title 18, United States Code, I hereby prescribe the following regulations governing the use of the Seals of the President and the Vice President of the United States:

SECTION 1. Except as otherwise provided by law, the knowing manufacture, reproduction, sale, or purchase for resale of the Seals or Coats of Arms of the President or the Vice President of the United States, or any likeness or substantial part thereof, shall be permitted only for the following uses:

(a) Use by the President or Vice President of the United States;

(b) Use in encyclopedias, dictionaries, books, journals, pamphlets, periodicals, or magazines incident to a description or history of seals, coats of arms, heraldry, or the Presidency or Vice Presidency. Such use shall be limited exclusively to the text, and any use of the Presidential or Vice Presidential Seal or Coat of Arms or any likeness or substantial part thereof on the cover of the above items is prohibited;

(c) Use in libraries, museums, or educational facilities incident to descriptions or exhibits relating to seals, coats of arms, heraldry, or the Presidency or Vice Presidency;

(d) Use as an architectural embellishment in libraries, museums, or archives established to house the papers or effects of former Presidents or Vice Presidents;

(e) Use on a monument to a former President or Vice President;

(f) Use by way of photographic or electronic visual reproduction in pictures, moving pictures, or telecasts of bona fide news content;

(g) Such other uses for exceptional historical, educational, or newsworthy purposes as may be authorized in writing by the Counsel to the President.

SECTION 2. The manufacture, reproduction, sale, or purchase for resale, either separately or appended to any article manufactured or sold, of the Seals of the President or Vice President, or any likeness or substantial part thereof, except as provided in this Order or as otherwise provided by law, is prohibited.

RICHARD NIXON

THE WHITE HOUSE,
February 16, 1972

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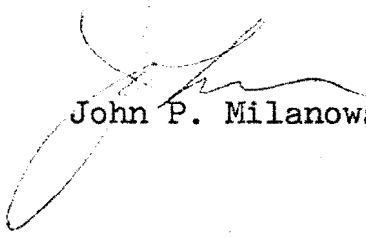
July 7, 1976

Ms. Mildred Leonard
Personal Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mildred:

Enclosed find a letter addressed to me which is self-explanatory. Also enclosed is the subject matter of that letter. I will appreciate your turning this over to the appropriate office so that we can get confirmation as quickly as possible. The whole project is charitable in nature, and it seems to me we should cooperate in any way we can.

Yours truly,



John P. Milanowski

JPM/cmm

Enclosures

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60 MONROE N.W., DOWNTOWN GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49502, (616) 459-4468

July 6, 1976

Mr. John P. Milanowski
Suite 602 - People's Building
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Dear Mr. Milanowski,

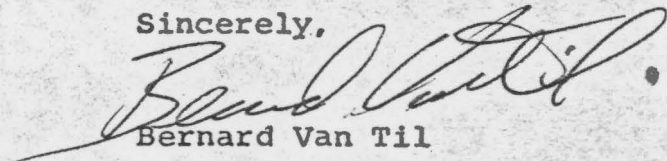
Ralph Childs, Director of the Tuberculosis, Health, & Emphysema Society and I would like to thank you for the cooperation and the suggestions that you have given to help us, in preparing the Presidential plate. The art work is now completed for the 1976 Bicentennial Limited Edition and in the hands of Gorham Company of Providence, Rhode Island, our plate manufacturer

As you recall, when Mr. Childs was in your office four or five weeks ago, you placed a call to the White House and explained the project. At that time, you were assured by the White House that there would be no basic objection to the project. We would appreciate it if you would make contact for us to the White House with the final drawing enclosed for the Presidential plate approval. This is the final piece of art which will be transferred to the Limited Edition of 10,000 plates which will be placed in national distribution. The Gorham Company has assured us of a minimum of 1,000 plates prior to the National Republican Convention.

As you know, the income from this project will be used to provide, through the T.H.E. Society, a free pulmonary problem center for the people from the five county area surrounding Kent.

We would appreciate your speedy attention to this request as we are now laying plans for the marketing of these plates.

Sincerely,



Bernard Van Til
Co-Chairman

CC - Hank Fuhs - Co-Chairman
Ralph Childs - Director
Tom Shearer - President of the THE Society
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Enclosures - Front and Back of the Presidential plate.



Designed & Illustrated by West Michigan Artist, Fritz Hoenderwanger



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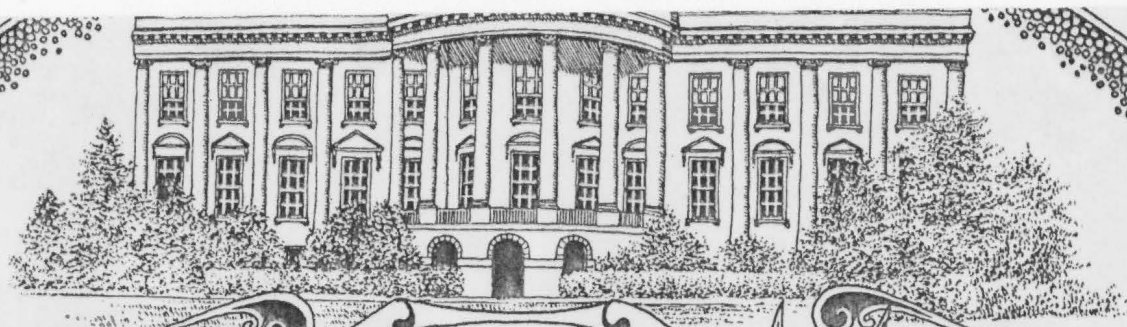
OUR BICENTENNIAL PRESIDENT

Gerald R. Ford, Jr., was born in Omaha, Nebraska, July 14, 1913 • Reared in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and graduated from South High School • Attended and received degrees from the University of Michigan and Yale University Law School • During World War II served aboard the U.S.S. Monterey, CVL 26 • First elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 5th Michigan District in 1948 • He was Minority Leader of the House, when appointed Vice President of the United States on December 6, 1973 • Inaugurated the 38th President of the United States on August 9, 1974.

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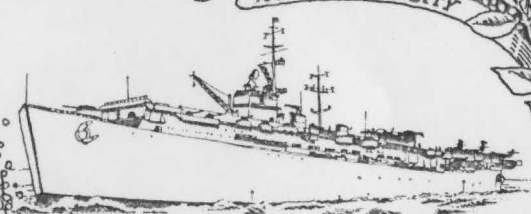
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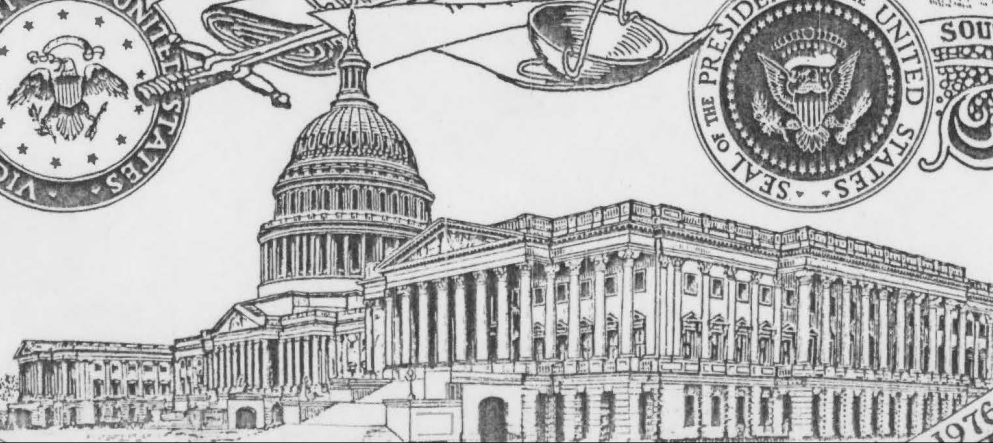
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SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL



DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE



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Thursday 12/30/76

10:50 Did you know today is Mildred Leonard's
last day?

She is retiring.

She is trying to "play it down."

