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Jerry:

Per Walker's office -- he has a
copy of the decisions and these are
for the President's files.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 8, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD RUMSFELD

FROM: WILLIAM N. WALKER *Walker*

Subject: Defeated Members--Status Report

Attached at Tab A is a copy of my December 3 memorandum on this subject. This memorandum is an update.

It seems desirable to make decisions as soon as possible concerning positions for defeated House members. That way we can advise them promptly whether or not there is an immediate position for them.

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1. Don Brotzman. He has had discussions with the Defense Department concerning appointment to the Court of Military Appeals. He has also been suggested as a candidate for the White House Congressional Relations office. Defense has another candidate for the Court of Military Appeals. They are prepared to accept Brotzman if that is your desire, but wish to make a decision soon.

Don Dellenback

2. John Dellenback. He is considering the position of Administrator, ACTION. He has also had discussions with Bob Ingersoll concerning State Department positions in Africa, though the position he most wanted-- Ambassador to South Africa--is being filled by a career officer whose nomination you approved last week. He is also talking with AID concerning a post in Paris. If you are seriously interested in him for ACTION, we can proceed directly on that proposal.

OK

3. Marlow Cook. Messrs. Hartmann, Marsh, Stiles and I believe that Cook should be your Republican nominee to the Federal Elections Commission.

OK

4. Robert Steele. He is among those being considered for the new position of Administrator of the Fire Prevention and Control Administration in the Department of Commerce. Steele authored the legislation which led to establishment of this new Agency. He is to get back to us next week if he is interested in pursuing this position.

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5. ~~Vinegar Bend Mizell. He has begun a campaign to become Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development. The incumbent is resigning around the first of the year. I would propose as an alternative that Mizell be named Director of Field Offices for the Department. This is a GS-17 job which administers the 48 field offices operated by the Department of Commerce around the country. The title can be changed to Deputy Assistant Secretary. It would provide good visibility without as much of an administrative load.~~

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6. Bob Price. I would propose that he be offered the position of Chairman of the Renegotiation Board. Congressman Gubser declined interest in that position. As a matter of tactics, I would propose first offering the Renegotiation Board Chairmanship to John Sawhill. We have a commitment to offer him a position. Should he decline, then I would propose that it be offered to Price. Price is not a lawyer but is a former fighter pilot who still flies combat aircraft and served on the Armed Services Committee.

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7. Governor of American Samoa. This is a GS-18 post in the Department of Interior, which is currently vacant. Secretary Morton has discussed this position with both Dellenback and Brotzman, but neither have evinced an interest. This could be offered to a defeated member.

OK 8. Earl Ruth. He has a medical problem and wants to move into the Executive Branch in order to keep his health benefits. We are exploring the possibility of putting him on the Veterans Administration payroll and then assigning him to the State of North Carolina under the Personnel Interchange Program.

OK 9. Victor Veysey. He is being considered for a position at the Energy Research and Development Administration. He is particularly interested in the areas of solar and geothermal energy. He has met with Bob Seamens and there seems to be a good possibility of a position for him there.

The following defeated members have come to us for assistance, but we do not have positions for them at this time.

OK 1. Bob Hanrahan. It is conceivable that we could find a Deputy Assistant Secretary position for him at the Commerce Department. I had discussed with him a regional position with one of the agencies in Chicago, but he wishes to remain here.

Cook 2. Harold Froelich. His sole interest is in the Elections Commission, but Marsh, Hartmann, Stiles and I feel he is not sufficiently experienced for that position.

Amel 3. Congressman Orville Hansen. He is under investigation by the Justice Department for violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

OK 4. Bill Scherle. The congressional relations job at the Veterans Administration is out. We are trying to identify any non-career position in the Agriculture Department in or near Des Moines where Scherle could be placed.

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area 5. Larry Williams. I recommend that we go back to Williams and tell him that we do not have a position for him.

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understanding
also 6. Vern Thompson. We are informed that John Rhodes is seriously considering appointing Thompson to the Federal Elections Commission.

7. Paul Cronin. He approached us only last week. He is interested in being assigned as the U.S. Representative to the International Labor Organization. However, this position has been taken. He would also be interested in membership on the International Joint Commission of the U.S. and Canada. There are no current vacancies, but conceivably one could be created for him.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 3, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD RUMSFELD

FROM: WILLIAM N. WALKER *fall*

SUBJECT: Status of Congressional
Personnel Requests

The following is a list of defeated or retiring Members of the House and Senate who have approached us with regard to Federal Employment. I or a member of my staff have been in touch with each of the House Members listed below.

SENATE

1. Senator Marlow Cook has a meeting scheduled with you. He is interested in a Federal Judgeship.
2. Senator Peter Dominick is interested in an Ambassadorship --we are working with the State Department on this.
3. Senator Wallace Bennett would like to serve on a part-time Board or Commission dealing with financial matters. We will be able to work this out. Membership on the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations was discussed with him, but he declined.

HOUSE

1. Congressman Les Arends was interested in serving on the Federal Elections Commission; however, the Commission will be a full time position and he would have to delay his Congressional pension. Since he does not want to do this, we plan to propose him for membership on the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Commission.

2. Congressman Lamar Baker wished to be considered for Director of the National Parks Service. Secretary Morton has informed him that this position will be filled by a career member of the Parks Service. Baker is being offered the position of Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations at the Department of Transportation.
3. Congressman William Bray is under consideration for a position on the American Battle Monuments Commission. If a vacancy cannot be created there, he will be appointed to the Board of the Armed Forces Museum.
4. Congressman Don Brotzman is under consideration for a Judgeship on the Court of Military Appeals. He is considering whether he wants to pursue this.
5. Congressman John Dellenback is being considered for an Ambassadorship in Africa by the State Department.
6. Congressman David Dennis has declined to pursue the possibility of a District Judgeship in Northern Indiana with the Department of Justice. He has indicated that he will practice law.
7. Congressman Bob Hanrahan is to get back to me if he is interested in pursuing a Regional position in Chicago or in some other appropriate position.
8. Congressman Dan Kuykendall has been employed as a Consultant to the Secretary of Transportation.
9. Congressman Richard Mallary is interested in serving either as a Staff Member of the Domestic Council or in a position at the Department of Interior.
10. Congressman Dave Martin is interested in a part time Board or Commission. We will be able to handle this.
11. Congressman Stan Parris is interested in being U.S. Attorney in Northern Virginia. Justice is contacting him.
12. Congressman Bob Price has talked to my office, Secretary Butz and Donald Rumsfeld. He wishes to be Secretary of Agriculture or serve in another important post. Nothing we currently have available interests him.

13. Congressman Bill Scherle wished to be Regional Director of GSA. The Civil Service Commission has ruled that will be a career position. He is also talking to the Department of Agriculture and to the Veterans Administration.
14. Congressman Dick Shoup is interested in serving as an ICC Commissioner. We have another candidate in clearance. We are discussing other possibilities with him.
15. Congressman David Towell is interested in working for the Department of Interior. We are trying to work something out.
16. Congressman Lawrence Williams has met with a number of people in the Administration. We are having trouble locating a position.
17. Congressman Roger Zion is interested in a consultancy in the energy area. We are trying to work something out with Interior or FEA.