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*Dorothy
Downton*

November 20, 1974

FOR: Dorothy Downton
FROM: Jay T. French
**SUBJECT: Enclosed correspondence from
Saladin Temple Shrine Circus**

The enclosed correspondence seeks a contribution from the President. Normally it would be rejected by a polite letter. However, in this instance it may be a matter in which the President has an interest, and I forward it to you for your appropriate action.



March 16, 1976

Downton
Dorothy

To: Dorothy

From: Eva

Marquita Maytag
asked the Buchens to
get these pictures to
the President.

Help!



Wednesday 4/16/75

9:55 Dorothy Downton brought the attached listing of political contributions of President Ford for 1975.

If you need 1974, she can easily get it for you.

Last night the President gave Mary Louise Smith two blank checks for the dinner last night. She said you were looking into it to see if he can legally make the contribution or not. If it's O.K., she will need to know the amounts.



POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

January 28, 1975	Republican National Committee	\$100.00
January 28, 1975	Republican Party of Michigan	12.00
February 25, 1975	300 Club (Kent County Republican Committee)	300.00



Friday 4/25/75

3:55 Mr. Buchen said to tell Jay that he should find out if the nurse is qualified to pass the state qualifications.

If she does qualify and could be registered in the state, tell the minister what to do about it. If she doesn't qualify in a professional way, then we can't hope for anything.

In any event, Mr. Buchen doesn't want us pressuring anyone.



Friday 4/25/75

12:25 Jay called. He said he checked to find out whether nurses are on the high priority Schedule A blanket certification list. They are -- so this would insure that she could get her labor certification quickly.

However, because of the shortness of time between today (April 25) and May 1, the final date of her present visa, it would require her to apply to the Regional Director of Immigration, who has the discretion to grant an extension of her visitor visa.

He is asking if you want him to lean on them?

Or should she request it directly?



Friday 4/25/75

9:30 Dorothy Downton called to say she had a call from her uncle who is a minister in Wisconsin (Walter Lichtsinn, her mother's brother).

In his sick calls during the week he ran into a problem. Mary Kennedy is here from Ireland on a visa (Dorothy's presume); she came for the purpose of attending a relative's wedding and then she started working as a nurse to care for three elderly people over 80 years of age. She had her visa extended once, which extends to May 1. She apparently applied again and has a "filing number". She has heard no more and doesn't know what to do.

The girl will get all her papers together and she and the minister, Rev. Lichtsinn, will call at 11 o'clock to talk with Dorothy and she will transfer the call here.

11:00 Dorothy called back and gave me the telephone number at the church office. Rev. Lichtsinn and Mary Kennedy were both there, and I have asked Jay to call them. (414) 722-2662



Thursday 5/1/75

President
Personal

1:05 Dorothy Downton called to ask if there is any problem with the Sparks stock?

She said Barry had talked with you about it this morning.

She will be going in to see the President shortly and would like to know when she goes in.

Mr Buchen
talked with her



*President
Personal
(Downton)*

May 7, 1975

To: Law Library

From: Eva

Dorothy Downton sent this
to Mr. Buchen and he
suggests it be included in
the Law Library.



*President -
Personal*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 5

Eva,

This book arrived here Saturday
afternoon addressed to "Secretary
to the President."

I really don't think I need it, and
I thought you folks might have
better use for it!

Dorothy

*Send to
our Law Library
P*



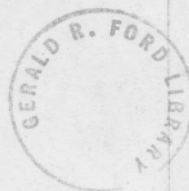
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RALEIGH
1975



Wednesday 6/11/75

3:00 Dorothy was asking if the President's will has
been brought up to date lately.



President
Personal

Dorothy
Downton

Wednesday 9/3/75

1:45 Dorothy Downton said the President had asked her to check with Lloyd Lievense (of Lloyd's Tailor Shop in Grand Rapids) about some clothes he was making for the President.

Dorothy called and Mr. Lievense is no longer with Lloyd's.

She has been trying to reach him at his home in Grand Rapids (616) 458-2370 but has had no answer.

The President has asked her again about it, and he suggested checking with you to see if you might know how to reach him or how to proceed.

-called Dorothy 9/4 — no follow-up
needed.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 8, 1975

TO: DOROTHY DOWNTON

FROM: PHIL BUCHEN *T.W.B.*

Attached is a letter from James M. Unland, Treasurer of the Everett McKinley Dirksen Endowment Fund, which was hand delivered to me.

You may wish to bring it to the attention of the President.

Attachment



The Everett MCKinley Dirksen Endowment Fund



8/20/75

President Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Ford:

As Treasurer of the Dirksen Endowment, may I express my profound gratitude for your appearance at the dedication ceremonies in Pekin yesterday. Not only were we highly honored to have you, the President of the United States in our midst, but it provided us with renewed enthusiasm to finish the task which has yet to be completed.

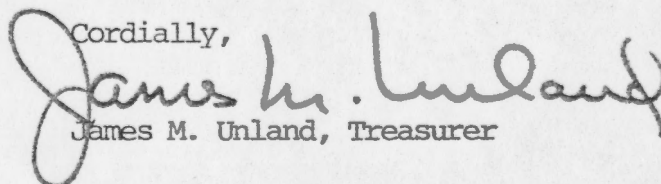
Mr. President, we have run out of money to complete this project. We're \$150,000 short of paying our share to the Pekin Public Library for the Dirksen Wing, which you viewed yesterday. This shortage results from two factors: additional, unanticipated costs of construction, and a decline of contributions this past year.

A bronze plaque with the names of those contributing \$1000 or more will be placed in the Dirksen Wing. Because of your past association, your admiration and your respect for your departed friend, I am hoping that you and Mrs. Ford will respond to this request for a contribution so that your names along with his other loyal friends will be inscribed.

Thank you, Mr. President, for your assistance in helping all of us in this area make Ev's dream become a reality. I have enclosed an envelope for your convenience.

I trust you had some time to relax in Vail. We have a condominium at Manor Vail where Sam and Bonnie Young stayed with us when you two skied together two winters ago. Hopefully we will be privileged to see you out there in the future.

Cordially,


James M. Unland, Treasurer



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Change to memo
from me to D. Downton
merely referring this
as a hand-delivered
letter.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date 9/4/75

TO: PHIL BUCHEN

FROM: KEN LAZARUS

ACTION:

 x Approval/Signature
 Comments/Recommendations
 Prepare Response
 Please Handle
 For Your Information
 File

REMARKS:

This letter was hand delivered to me by
Mr. Unland's son, who is a junior member
of Bill Baroody's staff.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 4, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: PHILIP W. BUCHEN
FROM: KENNETH LAZARUS *KL*
SUBJECT: Request for contribution to the
Dirksen Library

Attached is a request from Mr. James M. Unland, Treasurer of the Everett McKinley Dirksen Endowment Fund, for a personal contribution from you in the amount of \$1,000.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Attachment



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October 8, 1975

To: Dorothy

From: Eva

Mrs. Buchen asked if I would
give this to you.

Mrs. Wong wanted the President
to have it. She treasures the
picture of her daughter and then
Congressman Ford.



Jane Wong studies politics

Federal legislators in Washington play a vital role in the American governmental process, says a political protege of the John B. Martins after nearly 10 weeks of internship in Sen. Robert P. Griffin's office.

learned that a member of Congress can be an excellent legislator without being in the headlines all the time."

Jane, who is a political science major, feels that she personally benefitted considerably from her Washington



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 21, 1975

*Downton,
Hawthorne*

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DOROTHY DOWNTON

FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN *P.*

Attached is a draft of a proposed letter for you to send in reply to the letter from Mr. Turnquist, which is being returned.

Attachments



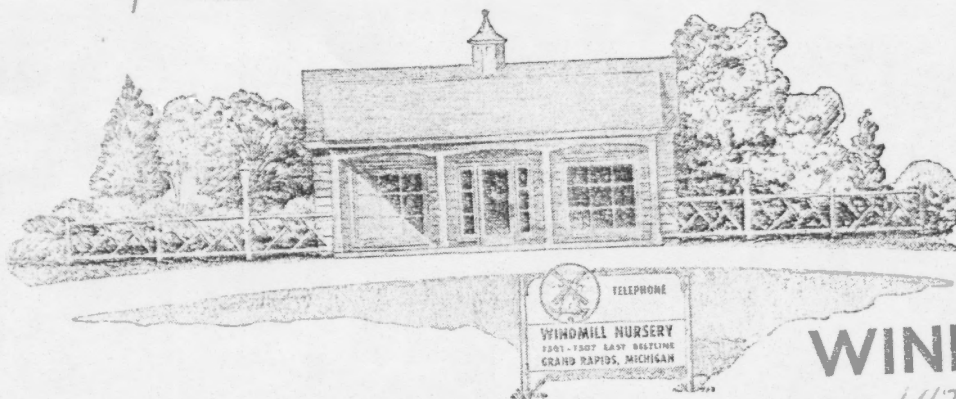
Dear Mr. Turnquist:

Many thanks for your letter of October 11 proposing that the board of Grand Rapids Nursery and Landscape Association adopt as its project for the Bicentennial the landscaping of President Ford's home on Sherman Street.

The President appreciates your interest and generosity, but he believes that it is necessary to decline your offer. The property in question still belongs to the President, and it would be inappropriate for him to benefit personally from the efforts of your association.

Sincerely,





WINDMILL NURSERY

1471 ~~1501~~ East Beltline, N. E.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49505

Oct. 11, 1975

Mrs. Dorothy Downton
1st. Floor West Wing
The White House
Washington D. C.

Dear Mrs. Downton

I'm writing this as a member of the board of Grand Rapids Nursery & Landscape Assn. with respect to our association's project for the Bicentennial.

It seems that the West Bank Park along the Grand River is in limbo, and we discussed the possibility of landscaping the Ford house on Sherman Street.

I'm checking with you to possibly get permission from the President to do so. I realize it is only a small yard, but our budget for next year is not too great, so we are not looking for a large project.

We will wait for an answer from you as this project or whatever we do will not be accomplished till the Spring of 1976.

Respectfully

Alfred G. Turnquist
Alfred G. Turnquist
Member of the Board
G R N L A

P.S. The replacement check for the work at Sherman St. arrived Oct. 1976 but no sign of the original.



*Downton,
Clarity*

November 3, 1975

Dorothy,

Attached are photographs from
Mr. A. E. Mattel (former Navy
colleague) for the President.

They were hand-delivered to me
on Saturday by Attorney Dwayne
Keyes.

Phil Buchen



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 28

Eva,

Does Mr. Buchen have any interest
in this? I do not think it is
necessary for the President to
have it.

Dorothy

No.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Thanks,
Dorothy —*

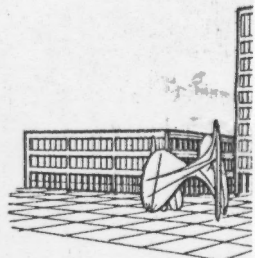
Eva

*Sorry we don't see you
more often.*



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Rapids

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G75-1938B6-Timothy P. Frye 1727 Smith, Muskegon, liab. 15,-743.19 assets 1080.00-Thomas H. Andrews Jr.
G75-1941B1-Donna L. Love 1919 Newark SE, nurses aid, liab. 6963.91 assets 555.00-Edward B. Goodrich
G75-1943B1- & 1944B1-norman D. & Mary E. Hardley 1053 Fuller St him-survivor, her

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**CASES HELD AT KALAMAZOO
BANKRUPTCY COURT**

K75-1939B4-Arthur E. Millen 2040 101st Otsego, manager, liab. 16771.00-Assets 100.00-Nicholas J. Schaberg
K75-1940B4-Edward B. Lofton, 515 Gilbert, Kala. press operator, liab. 5463.86 assets 406.77-Nicholas J. Schaberg

TAX LIEN RELEASES

1832-1080-Herman M. & Edwina Weatherford 910 Mulford SE 1120.64
1832-1311-Douglas & Judith Barrett 3935 Camanche Grandville 967.31
1832-1310-Douglas E. & Judith Barrett 3935 Camanche Ct 87.90
1832-1190-Robert & Charlene

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Judge WOODROW A. YARED Judge GORDON H. DOUGLAS
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PLEASE NOTE: There are many cases which cannot be heard each month. Please notify Mrs. Wykes as your cases are ready for trial.

NEW CASES

W. W. Grainger Inc vs Raymond K. Breen ind & db Heating & Cooling
Cooks Office Machine vs Computer Office Equipment

*Mehney,
David*

June 7, 1976

To: Margaret Trainor

From: Eva Daughtrey

As requested, I am attaching a copy
of Mr. Buchen's letter to
David Mehney sending his contribution
for the Paul Collins mural.



Monday 6/7/76

2:10 Margaret Trainor called from Cong. Vander Jagt's office and asked if they might have a copy of the letter you sent to David Mehney in connection with your contribution toward paying for the Paul Collins' mural. (copy attached)

225-3511

She said Mr. Mehney mentioned to the Congressman what a great letter it was. Cong. Vander Jagt is going to try to help raise funds to pay for it.

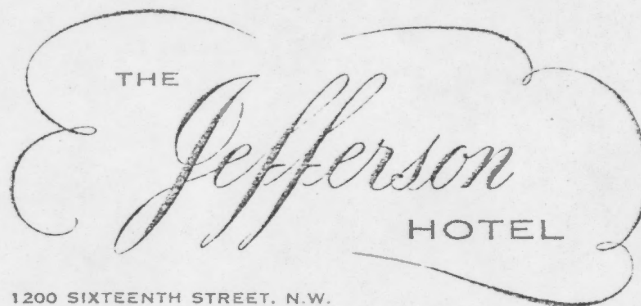
They are in Room 2334 Rayburn



Friday 5/14/76

3:50 Called Dorothy Downton and told her that
Mr. Buchen talked with David Mehney
concerning the Paul Collins Mural -- and he's
sure he's all set.





1200 SIXTEENTH STREET, N.W.

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20036 DISTRICT 7-4704

May 11, 1976

Dear David:

In order to assist in the campaign by the Gerald R. Ford Mural Committee to raise funds for a Paul Collins mural, I am enclosing my check payable to the County of Kent.

Although I have not had the opportunity to see Paul Collins' project as it is nearing completion, Guy VanderJagt tells me that he is preparing a superb work of art which will do credit not only to the artist but to the community. As a citizen of Grand Rapids, I urge wide participation in the fund drive still to be completed which will enable Kent County to install this tribute to our President in the Kent County Airport.

I thank you and your colleagues for the work you are doing to make this development possible, and I wish you much success.

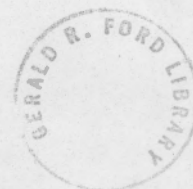
Sincerely,

Philip F. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. David Mehney
5080 36th Street, S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49508

Enclosure

bcc: *Wm. Siemen*



Check is to go with my letter to Mehney

Friday 5/7/76

*Mehney's address:
5080 VSC St. S.E.
YR 49505*

3:50 Dorothy Downton said she's sure you are aware of the Paul Collins Mural. (616) 949-6500

David Mehney is on the Committee of people who are working on it and he indicated there are a lot of black people who are interested in it.

He said he thinks it would help a great deal if the people in the area know that the President likes the idea of the mural. He thinks it would help getting the vote in the primary. Mr. Mehney felt he nor anyone on the Committee had had any encouragement for them.

He said he would have resigned but Cong. VanderJagt talked him out of it.

Dorothy said she spoke to the President and asked what she should do about it.

The President asked her to ask you to call Mr. Mehney and talk to him about this specific Paul Collins mural. Tell him the President is in favor of it. He thinks it's great. He's honored they want to do ^{him} this.

He wants you to talk with Mr. Mehny.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 14, 1976

Downton
Dorothy

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CANNON

THROUGH:

PHIL BUCHEN *P.*

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *JEC*

The attached note was given to Dorothy Downton by the President with the request that it be given to you to prepare a response to Mrs Judd.

For your information this was given to the President by Mrs. Ford at the suggestion of Mrs. Buchen.

I am sending this memorandum to you thru Mr. Buchen's office in case they might possibly have something to add to the story.

Please prepare the requested response to Mrs. Judd.

cc: Dick Cheney



From the desk of -
BUNNY BUCHEN

June 3

Dear, wonderful Dorothy!

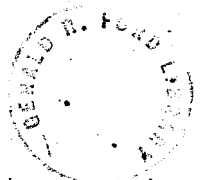
I'll do what I can
about getting your last
recommendation to the
President post haste!

However, he may be
"off" before we can
reach him — and
since Betty will be in
G.R. next week —
including Jr. League
meeting — can you
speak to her too ??

The mails are a
disgrace. Your letter
just arrived.

Bless You!

Love, Bunny



For Betty Ford

from Dorothy Judd

with a response from

Bunny Buchen



May 30, 1976

Dear Bunny:

Can you somehow get this message to Jerry or his campaign advisors?

I do understand that they are trying to channel the campaign into selected and most important issues. However, I believe there are two very dangerous attacks on his policies that must be answered - affirmatively.

These are the issues of day care centers and food stamps. Both affect large numbers of low income people who, in November, could defeat the Republican nominee.

On day care, I am enclosing an article in the GR Press on the Day Care issue. In addition, I know too that all women's groups concerned with making it possible for women to hold jobs are working to get more day care centers.

I don't know too much about the subject but I think I agree with Jerry that the standards are unnecessarily high and that administration should be in the hands of the states.

On standards, I recall reading somewhere that they require one adult for each infant. Any mother knows she can care for more than one ch baby at a time. I do believe, however, that reasonable standards are necessary to upgrade the lower quality centers.

On state rather than federal administration, I see no reason why they can't be put on the same basis as welfare: that is, run by the state with grants from the Federal Government which call for certain standards and can be withdrawn if such standards are violated.

For example, this past year Michigan has been found by the Federal government to have been shockingly remiss in the upholding of Federal standards. As a result, the state and local governments got busy. Hal Sawyer has a record as a county prosecutor of bringing about the elimination of a great number of cheaters. Local government can do this best - with the threat of loss of funds over it.

Nor do I know much about food stamps - except for one requirement which puzzles me; that is, that for a person to remain eligible for food stamps he must use a certain minimum amount. I have read that not all people need the minimum amount and to comply buy snacks and cokes etc which they don't need.

Yet here is an immense lobby being organized - including the State Government of Michigan - opposing Jerry's policy for food stamp reform. Some presentation of detail facts it seems to me is necessary to prevent a landslide against Jerry in the election.

Your Worry-Wort,

(Mrs. Siegel W. Judd)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 14, 1976

Mr. Buchen:

The President gave me this material this morning.

He indicated that he will be out of town on June 28 attending the economic summit meeting in Puerto Rico. He thought you may want to arrange for a tour of the White House for the Varnums.

Dorothy Downton

P.S. He did not make any comment on the portrait idea. I don't believe he has made any decision on this as yet. I will, however, keep a copy of this memo for his reference when he considers the matter.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 10, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: BETTY FORD

FROM: PHIL BUCHEN

Larry Varnum, after reading the newspaper accounts of your disappointment with the John Ulbricht portrait, has dropped me a note to suggest that you might want to consider a portrait by Larry's wife, Zoë. He enclosed the attached brochure and photographs. Two of the photographs show oils done by Zoë of Judge Starr and of Larry. The others are pastel portraits of Ambrose, the long-time waiter at Kent Country Club, and of Lili Damita, the former wife of Errol Flynn. Larry points out that Zoë would be delighted to do the portrait without remuneration.

Larry also indicates that he and Zoe are planning a trip to Washington Monday, June 28. If you would let me know your reaction to this suggestion, I will call Larry before they depart for Washington.

Attachments



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: DICK CHENEY

FROM: PHIL BUCHEN *P.*

Attached is a copy of my memorandum of July 9 to the President which discussed the treatment of the payment of campaign travel expenses by the President for Jack and Susan. We are now in compliance with the reporting requirements of the election laws. Barry Roth is coordinating with Dorothy Downton and the PFC to insure compliance.

cc: Dorothy Downton

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN....

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 9, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: PHIL BUCHEN *P.*

SUBJECT: Candidate's Report of Receipt
and Expenditures

Attached is the monthly Report of Receipts and Expenditures which you are required to file with the FEC by July 10. The report was prepared by my office in conjunction with the PFC General Counsel. In order to simplify the reporting requirements, the PFC will reimburse you for expenditures you made for campaign travel by Jack and Susan. Other than for these travel expenditures, it is my understanding that you have neither received any contributions nor made any expenditures on behalf of your candidacy in June.

The amended election laws permit you to spend directly or contribute to the PFC up to \$50,000 of your personal funds in connection with your campaign for nomination. Expenditures must be reported by you and they count against the PFC's primary spending ceiling. Contributions from you to the PFC are reported separately by the PFC and are not included in this report.

Recommendation

That you sign the attached report.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 8, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHIL BUCHEN
DOROTHY DOWNTON

FROM:

DICK CHENEY

It's my understanding the President has paid personally for Jack Ford's political travel.

You need to check to see whether or not that needs to be reported.

I believe there's a requirement that each candidate has to report any expenditures he has made on his own behalf, and you want to make certain we're in compliance.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 30, 1976

Dorothy:

Please give to the President at
a convenient time.

Phil Buchen

Evans
JY1



Please give to the President!

A. J. SPARKS & COMPANY

CORPORATE OFFICE
3040 CHARLEVOIX DRIVE S.E. - SUITE 280
CENTENNIAL PARK
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49508

MARVIN D. STAHL
PRESIDENT

August 25, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Buchen
The Jefferson Hotel
1200 16th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Phil and Bunny:

I should write pages and pages of thanks to you two for making our second visit to Washington so interesting and very enjoyable. I know Dottie speaks for both of us and she has written you, so I'll be brief.

When Senator Bob Dole was nominated, I went to a file and found a picture of Jerry and the senator, with me in the middle, taken in 1971 at the Pen Club. I've had lots of fun with it, kidding, of course, about how I knew all the time what was going to happen at the convention. (Jerry's selection of Dole.)

Jerry was just great. We were so proud of him and Betty and the children. The entire performance, the subjects covered, his delivery and personality and the film were most impressive. !

It seems to me Jerry must have written most of that speech himself. You know, the world is full of fast talkers with big vocabularies, but they do not necessarily make the best leaders. Jerry is plenty articulate when expressing his own thoughts. I think I understand that because it's difficult to give a good speech when someone else has written it for you.

Dottie and I are working every day talking to the people we come in contact with or in letters or phone calls. We feel very optimistic about the election.

Faithfully,

Bunny

GERALD R. FORD LIBRARY

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 10, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DOROTHY DOWNTON

FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN *P.*

Please advise the President that an offer has been received to sell the Caberfae property for \$6,000. Niel Weathers is assuming that the President wants to sell and is trying to obtain the consent of Mike Powell, who succeeded to Jack Stiles' interest. Both Harold Wilmarth and Niel Weathers, the other owners, are agreeable to selling.



NIEL A. WEATHERS
ROBERT W. RICHARDSON
DAVID E. DUTCHER
ROGER LAW
JOHN R. NICHOLS
W. FRED HUNTING, JR.
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LAW, WEATHERS, RICHARDSON & DUTCHER

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS 740 OLD KENT BUILDING

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49502

TELEPHONE (616) 459-1171

September 2, 1976

John P. Milanowski, Esq.
601 Peoples Building
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

Re: Caberfae

Dear John:

Enclosed is a copy of the offer received from Morrison L. Ely for the cabin at Caberfae in which Mike Powell now owns a one-fourth undivided interest, as I understand.

Also enclosed is a copy of the latest deed showing the present condition of the title to the property (as subject to the Executor's deed to Mike).

If Mike is agreeable to this sale, I will draft an appropriate acceptance for signature by him and by the other fractional owners. In order to draft the acceptance properly, we will have to get a title insurance commitment, as we have no abstract of title. Before ordering the title work, we wish to know whether Mike approves, so please get back to us just as soon as you can. (Notice the 30-day time limit on the August 30 offer. We have the \$100 earnest money check.)

Sincerely yours,

NAW

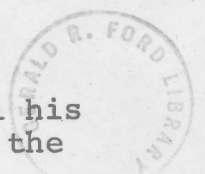
Niel A. Weathers

NAW:fb
Enclosures

cc: Harold C. Wilmarth (w/encs.)
Philip W. Buchen (w/encs.) ✓

P.S. to Phil Buchen: I know Jerry wants to sell his interest, and assume he would want you to check the procedures.

N.A.W.



BEVERLY & MORRISON ELY

SL. 7-7822

25932 LAWRENCE

CENTER LINE, MICHIGAN 48015

Dear "BUD"

August 30, 1976

attention HAROLD C. WIL MARTH

C/o Old Kent Bank & Trust

#1 VANDENBERG CENTER, GRAND RAPIDS MICH 49502

Confirming the telephone conversation between ("BUD")
HAROLD C. WIL MARTH & ("MORIE") MORRISON L. ELY on August 30, 1976.

REGARDING PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT CAPERFAE MICH.

described as: —

SB-2-5 PAR COM 230 N and 165 FT W

of E 1/4 POST W 99 ft N 100 FT

E 99 FT S TO BEGINNING

SB SEC 2 T 21 N R 12 W

~~and~~ with House included

We are making a firm offer of \$6,000⁰⁰.

Enclosed is our check for \$100 as a down
Payment.

yours truly
Morrison L. Ely



TIME LIMIT 30 DAYS
FROM DATE ^{THIS} LETTER

WARRANTY DEED—BY CORPORATION
(PHOTO-STAT)—(No. 1334-P).

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STATE OF MICHIGAN



REAL ESTATE
TRANSFER TAX

00.55

Recorded August 15, 1969
at 1:50 o'clock P.M.
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Marjorie Montistone
Per Linda Loughmiller
Register of Deeds.
Deputy

This Indenture, made the 8th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine,

BETWEEN CABERFAE LITERARY ASSOCIATION, a Michigan non-profit corporation, 740 Old Kent Building, of the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan,

a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Michigan, party of the first part, and JOHN R. STILES and wife, MARY C. STILES, jointly, GERALD R. FORD, JR., HAROLD WILMARTH, and NIEL A. WEATHERS, as tenants in common with and undivided one-quarter interest, parties of the second part,

WITNESSETH, That the said party of the first, for and in consideration of the sum of \$100.00 redemption of the membership interests of the said parties of the second part in the said Caberfae Literary Association,

has received from the said parties of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, does by these presents, grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien and confirm unto the said parties of the second part, and their heirs and assigns, FOREVER, all that certain

piece or parcel of land, situate and being in the Township of South Branch, County of Wexford, and State of Michigan, known and described as follows, to-wit:

The West 99 feet of the North 100 feet of the South 330 feet of the East 264 feet of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 2, in Township 21 North, Range 12 West, South Branch Township, Wexford County, Michigan;

I hereby certify from examination of the records in my office relating to the description of lands in the within instrument that for the five years preceding date of said instrument no tax liens or titles have become attached and no taxes assessed, except such as may be in process of collection, remain unpaid.
Aug 15 1969
Cadillac, Mich.
Wexford County Treasurer

Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises, as herein described, with the appurtenances unto the said parties of the second part, and to their heirs and assigns, FOREVER.

And the said party of the first part, for itself and its successors, does covenant, grant, bargain and agree to and with the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, that at the time of the enrolling and delivery of these presents it is well seized of the above granted premises in FEE SIMPLE; that they are free from all

encumbrances whatever, and that it will and its successors shall forever WARRANT and DEFEND the same against all lawful claims whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Caberfae Literary Association

has caused these presents to be signed in its name by its corporate seal, the day and year first above written. and sealed with its

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

Roger Law
Roger Law

Jean B. Strang
Jean B. Strang



CABERFAE LITERARY ASSOCIATION,

By John R. Stiles
Its President

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss. County of KENT

before me, a Notary Public

John R. Stiles, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did he is the President of Caberfae Literary Association,

the corporation named in and which executed the within instrument, and that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation; and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation by authority of its board of directors; and said John R. Stiles acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.

This Instrument Prepared By
LAW, BUCHEN, WEATHERS,
RICHARDSON & DUTCHER, Attys
740 Old Kent Building
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Jean B. Strang
Notary Public, County, Michigan.
My commission expires February 25, 1973

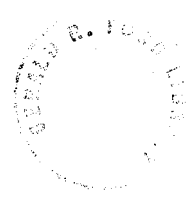
NOTE—1 AND 2. IF MORE THAN ONE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGES, INSERT AT 1 "EACH FOR HIMSELF" AND AT 2 "THEY ARE RESPECTIVELY." 3. WHERE CONVEYANCE IS MADE TO CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP, THE FOLLOWING MAY BE INSERTED, "ITS SUCCESSORS," AND DRAW A LINE THROUGH THE WORD "HEIRS."
(APPROXIMATE WORD AND CHARACTER COUNT 442)

October 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

The President's diaries for the years 1967-74
were returned to Dorothy Downton today.

Shirley A. Key (Ballard)



Friday 11/19/76

3:20 Dorothy Downton said she is checking into the various pension things for the President -- pension, health insurance, and life insurance.

She had a call from Mr. Raden who said you wanted that information. She called the Treasury Department and talked with her contact -- the lady who handles the President's salary, etc. There may be some technical questions -- especially regarding survivor's annuity. As they got into it more and more detail, there were further things they needed to check -- so she has now gotten in touch with the Bureau of Retirement and they are getting certain information together. She asked them to put all the options in writing.

She said for you not to worry -- she would get it all together as fast as she can.

