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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 14, 1976

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT

FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*

SUBJECT: National Council for the
Humanities

The President reviewed your memorandum of May 12, 1976 and approved the appointment of J. Willard Hurst as a Member of the National Council for the Humanities with the following reservations:

"I don't see answers to questions I asked -
hold up until I get response."

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 10, 1976

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT

FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*

SUBJECT: National Council for the Humanities

The President reviewed your memorandum of May 5, 1976 on the above subject and approved the appointment of the following individuals as members of the National Council for the Humanities:

- John Paul Austin
- ✓ Nancy Davies
- ✓ John Hope Franklin
- ✓ Jay Gordon Hall
- ✓ Concha Ortiz y Pino de Kleven
- ✓ Eugene S. Pulliam
- ✓ Dr. Joe Bob Rushing
- ✓ Durward Belmont Varner
- George Will

Should any of the above be unable to serve, the President approved:

- ✓ Richard W. Lyman

The following notation was directed to you:

"1) Has deKleven been cleared by Lujan and Domenici?"

"2) Make sure all of these have been cleared by Congressional people."

cc: Dick Cheney

✓ *Concha Ortiz y Pino de Kleven*

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD CHENEY
FROM: DOUGLAS BENNETT ~~DRB~~
SUBJECT: National Council for the Humanities

On May 10, 1976, we received your comments on our memorandum of May 5 regarding recommended appointees to the National Council for the Humanities (copy of memo attached).

One of the recommended candidates, J. Willard Hurst, received neither your approval or disapproval. Hurst is a distinguished jurist now on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin. Although a Democrat, Hurst is supported for this appointment by State Party Chairman Ody Fish, who feels that Hurst's outstanding reputation outweighs the political considerations.

Decision:

Approve RC7 Disapprove _____

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Doug Bennett

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cleared by Tuhau &
Dommeri?

2) Make sure
all of those have
been cleared by
Congressional people.

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WASHINGTON

May 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY
FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT ^{DPB}
SUBJECT: National Council for the Humanities
(PA, WAE)

The attached memorandum has evoked the following responses:

Concurrences: Buchen, Austin, Cannon, Seidman, Scott, Rhodes

No comment: the Vice President

Comments:

Lynn: except for George Will who is good, I do not know the rest

RNC: approve - Austin, Davies, Hall, Pulliam, Lyman
no comment - Franklin, Hurst, de Kleven, Rushing, Varner

Hartmann: George Will is definitely not a Ford man and never will
be. I much prefer Lyman. Others are ok.

Goldwin: approve - Davies, Franklin, Hall, Hurst, Rushing,
Varner, Will, Lyman
no objection - Austin

disagree - Pulliam, de Kleven - I see no obvious connection
with, or interest in, the humanities. If the aim is to have representation
of women, Spanish surnames, or the press, I think it is certainly possible
for us to find persons with more evident background in the humanities.

PPO RECOMMENDED CANDIDATES:

John Paul Austin

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

Nancy Davies

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

John Hope Franklin

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

Jay Gordon Hall

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

James Willard Hurst

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

Concha Ortiz y Pino de Kleven

Support - PPO

Opposition - Goldwin

Eugene S. Pulliam

Support - PPO

Opposition - Goldwin

Dr. Joe Bob Rushing

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

Durward Belmont Varner

Support - PPO

Opposition - None

George Will

Support - PPO

Opposition - Hartmann

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY

FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT ^{DPB}

SUBJECT: National Council for the Humanities
(PA, WAE)

There are presently ten vacancies on the National Council for the Humanities. The Council is composed of the Chairman and twenty-six other members from private life appointed by the President to serve a six year term and the members are paid when actually employed. The Council advises the Chairman with respect to policy and reviews funding applications. (Legis., Tab A)

Chairman Berman and I recommend the following candidates:

John Paul Austin, 61, a Republican from the Fifth Congressional District of Georgia represented by Congressman Young. (Resume, Tab B) Austin is the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Coca-Cola Company in Atlanta, Georgia. He began his career as an attorney and has risen steadily to achieve the rank as one of the foremost business leaders in the country. Mr. Austin is a member of the National Industrial Advisory Council of Opportunities Industrial Center and chairman of the Atlanta OIC Advisory Board. He is a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, a member of the Board of the Twentieth Century Fund and a member of the California Institute of Technology Board of Trustees.

Nancy Davies, 48, a Republican from the Sixth Congressional District of Oklahoma represented by Congressman English. (Resume, Tab C) Ms. Davies was the first woman President of the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents (1968-1973) and is currently a member of the Oklahoma Humanities Committee. She is strongly supported by Senator Bellmon and is respected as a friend of education in Oklahoma. She would bring to the council an ability to speak for both the public sector and the currently under-represented State of Oklahoma. Davies has been active and effective in state and local Republican politics.

John Hope Franklin, 61, a Democrat from the First Congressional District of Illinois represented by Congressman Metcalfe. (Resume, Tab D) Franklin is the John Matthews Manly Professor of History at the University of Chicago and is generally recognized as the country's most outstanding Black historian. Franklin received his Ph.D. from Harvard and has taught and lectured at a wide number of colleges and universities. He aided the NAACP in their preparation of the brief which eventually led to the historic civil rights decision of the Supreme Court in 1954. Franklin's broad historical perspective and the breadth of his interests eminently qualify him for the council. His extensive experience teaching at Black colleges and scholarly approach to a new field would fill two serious gaps on the council.

Jay Gordon Hall, 65, a Republican from the Nineteenth Congressional District of Michigan represented by Congressman Broomfield. (Resume, Tab E) Hall is currently Director of Government Relations for the General Motors Corporation. Dr. Hall is an accomplished Latin scholar whose specialty is the Roman statesman and author Cicero. He also maintains one of the largest private libraries in America.

James Willard Hurst, 65, a Democrat from the Second Congressional District of Wisconsin represented by Congressman Kastenmeier. Hurst is a distinguished legal scholar and professor of law at the University of Wisconsin. Though a Democrat, his reputation is such that he must be considered above partisan politics. He is a distinguished jurist and founded the Madison Circle School of Jurisprudence. (Resume, Tab F)

Concha Ortiz y Pino de Kleven, 61, a Democrat from the First Congressional District of New Mexico represented by Congressman Lujan. (Resume, Tab G) Mrs. de Kleven is a distinguished resident of Albuquerque, New Mexico. She has long personal and professional interest in various aspects of Spanish-American culture. Her historical interests are complemented by active involvement in current civic affairs including work with the handicapped, rehabilitation of prison inmates and many others. In 1974, she was elected to the Board of Regents of the University of Albuquerque. She also serves as State President of the New Mexico Women Legislators (she herself was elected to two terms in the state legislature from 1937-1942 and served as Majority Whip). In October 1975, Mrs. de Kleven was named Honorary Citizen of the City of Cadiz, Spain and was elected to their Adolfo Castro Cultural Institute.

Eugene S. Pulliam, 62, a Republican from the Fifth Congressional District of Indiana represented by Congressman Hillis. (Resume, Tab H) Pulliam is publisher of the Indianapolis Star and the Indianapolis News. Pulliam, whose father also was publisher of the same newspapers, is a capable and respected member of the journalism fraternity. He is active in Indianapolis civic affairs and is well regarded by the leaders in the state. Pulliam is past president of the American Newspaper Publishers Association Foundation, on the Advisory Board of the American Press Institute and a member of the American Society of Newspaper Editors. He is a member of the Indiana Academy of Associated Colleges of Indiana and a Director of the Indiana Historical Society.

Dr. Joe Bob Rushing, 54, a Democrat from the Twelfth Congressional District of Texas represented by Congressman Wright. (Resume, Tab I) Rushing is Chancellor of the Tarrant County Junior College District (Fort Worth, Texas) and is regarded as one of the top junior college administrators in the country. Under his direction the Tarrant County Junior Colleges have developed nationally respected humanities programs. Rushing is a former director of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges and maintains close ties with the growing number of junior colleges and administrators throughout the nation. He has served as a panelist reviewing fellowship applications in the past for the NEH and would bring a substantial knowledge of the junior college community as a member of the council.

Durward Belmont Varner, 61, an Independent from the First Congressional District of Nebraska represented by Congressman Thone. (Resume, Tab J) Varner is President of the University of Nebraska. He is a former assistant to the President of the Federal Land Bank in Houston and was Assistant Dean of Students at Texas A and M University. He was Chancellor of Oakland University from 1959-1970.

George Will, 34, from the District of Columbia. (Resume, Tab K) Will is a well known and highly regarded syndicated conservative columnist. He was formerly with the political science departments of Michigan State University and the University of Toronto. He was assistant to the chairman of the Republican Policy Committee in 1970.

<u>Decision:</u>	Approve Austin	<u>NR 4</u>
	Approve Davies	<u>NR 4</u>
	Approve Franklin	<u>NR 4</u>
	Approve Hall	<u>NR 4</u>
	Approve Hurst	<u>NR 4</u>

Approve de Kleven

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Approve Pulliam

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Approve Rushing

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Approve Varner

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Approve Will

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Should any of the above be unable to serve, I recommend:

Richard W. Lyman, 53, a Democrat from the Twelfth Congressional District of California, represented by Congressman McCloskey. Lyman is the President of Stanford University. He is an historian of note and has written extensively on crises in western civilization. He is a top flight administrator who is credited with putting Stanford's financial condition back in good shape. Waller Taylor, the influential California GOP State Committeeman, is very high on Lyman and feels he would be a good appointment; Bob Goldwin concurs. (Resume, Tab L)

Decision:

Approve Lyman

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