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Re: Addendum to Personal Data Questionnaire
Earl B. Gilliam, Social Security [redacted]

Dear Ms. Wailes:

You are in receipt of a Personal Data Questionnaire which was filed earlier this year on or about February 15, 1979. Please change the home address thereon to 7367 Caminito Carlotta, San Diego, California, 92120.

Also, in answer to Question 8(c) wherein I described an impairment of eyesight, in the second line the word 'contract' was used. This should be corrected to read 'cataract.'

As an afterthought, I also thought it would be wise to submit to the application a summary of additional judicial experience.

As a judge in the Municipal Court of California, San Diego Judicial District, during the years 1963-1975, I was assigned every function of that court, including the following: traffic arraignments; criminal arraignments, both felony and misdemeanor; civil law and motion, which included every phase of civil cases including pre-trial motions and trials; and regular trial departments wherein I handled criminal and civil trials. I also served as Presiding Judge of that court, wherein it was my function to be the chief administrator of the court and direct the day-to-day operations, including the supervising of the attaches of the court. While on that court, I presided over long trials, some as long as ten weeks, and also short matters.

One project of the Municipal Court was to set up a pre-trial department of criminal cases, and this was the first experience for any court in this country. This instituted the setting up of an intermediate step between arraignment and trial, wherein

all cases would be reviewed by a judge to see if they could be disposed of. This project facilitated in cutting the time from arraignment to trial from two years to less than six months. Because of my experience in this area, I was able to assist the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, in doing the same with their trial calendar. I also visited, advised and shared the experience with numerous other municipal courts in the State of California.

Since my elevation to the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, in addition to being assigned to regular trial departments, both criminal and civil, I have been assigned to the domestic relations court and handled law and motion matters extensively in the psychiatric division of the court. In addition, I have had assignments in probate and adoptions.

Presently, I am the Presiding Judge of the Criminal Division of the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, wherein my responsibilities are to handle the administrative and judicial details of this court, which include assignment of cases and intermediate motions. There are approximately six judges regularly assigned to this division, and sometimes that total may reach as high as ten or twelve.

In addition to my duties as Presiding Judge of the Criminal Division, I am in the process of trying two large civil matters. The first one is entitled Cesco Development Corporation and Conde Investment Corporation v. Citizens Development Corporation, et al, San Diego Superior Court Case No. 3926 N, wherein the damages prayed for are in excess of $8 million. This case took more than six weeks to try, and presently, the transcripts of said trial are being reviewed for my final decision. The second case is entitled La Costa Village Homeowners Association, et al, v. La Costa Village Company, etc., et al, San Diego Superior Court Case No. N 6238, wherein the damages may well exceed $25 million. This action involves multiple defendants, and in addition thereto, will be tried on a theory of class actions. We are now in the process of cleaning up the pleadings with pre-trial motions, with the next step to set up notice re class actions. The case may not come to trial for another year, and when it does, the time estimated for trial may well exceed six months.

Both of the foregoing cases are very complex, with the La Costa case being complex reference the procedural problems.

I have just been assigned to work in the appellate division of the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, and I undertake those duties shortly.

The foregoing are some of the highlights of my experiences as a judge.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Senator Alan Cranston
Senator S. I. Hayakawa