

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 15, 1987

COUNCIL MEMBER
REQUESTS ASSISTANCE
FROM CITY ATTORNEY
IN AUTHORIZING LETTERS
TO LEGISLATORS, ETC.

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Following introduction of the matter by Council Member Pinkerton, the City Attorney, was requested to work with Council Member Pinkerton in corresponding with Senator Wilson, Senator Cranston, Congressman Shumway and the Sargeant-at-Arms of Congress and the Senate regarding specific questions pertaining to attendance, voting records, etc.

Jack Russ
Sergeant at Arms

*Original to
JP 7/31/87*

Office of the Sergeant at Arms
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

July 27, 1987

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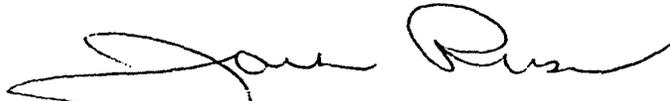
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CITY OF LODI

James W. Pinkerton
Council Member
City of Lodi, California
City Hall
221 West Pine Street
Call Box 3006
Lodi, California 95241-1910

Dear Mr. Pinkerton:

Your letter requesting legislative information has been forwarded to the Clerk, U.S. House of Representatives, under who jurisdiction inquiries of this nature are administered.

Sincerely,



JACK RUSS
Sergeant at Arms

cc: Honorable Donald K. Anderson

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July 17, 1987

Honorable Henry K. Giugni
Sergeant at Arms
U. S. Senate
S 321 Capitol Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Giugni:

I have been following the Iranian/Contra hearings, and I was somewhat disturbed and dismayed by the attitude of a number of Senate and House representatives questioning the witnesses. Specifically, it seemed that the representatives expected the witnesses to have total recall as to dates and times of conversations, and so forth.

For my own curiosity, I would ask you to please respond to the following questions so that I can determine whether Senators Wilson and Cranston have set high (or too high) expectations for recall of citizens in this country:

In the past twelve months:

- 1) How many bills were voted on or passed?
- 2) How many times were Senators Wilson and Cranston present when those bills were voted on and passed?
- 3) How many days were they present in the Senate?
- 4) How many days when the Senate was in session were they absent?

Thank you for your anticipated response.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES W. PINKERTON
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Alan Cranston
Honorable United States Senator
Russell Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

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- 3) How many bills did you vote on?
- 4) Did you understand the content of the bills you voted on, or did you have to rely on your staff to make recommendations, and explain the bills to you?
- 5) How many days when the Senate was in session were you absent?

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Pete Wilson
Honorable United States Senator
Room 613
Dirksen Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

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