

JUL 12 1976

Mr. Loren A. Smith  
General Counsel  
Citizens for Reagan  
1835 K Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20006

Re: MUR 183 (76)

Dear Mr. Smith:

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This acknowledges receipt of your letter dated June 21, 1976, regarding anonymous letters being circulated concerning Governor Reagan's candidacy. I have reviewed the information set forth in your letter and have concluded that the Federal Election Commission does not have authority over this matter. 2 U.S.C. 544d applies only to an "expenditure for the purpose of financing communications expressly advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate...." The letters do not expressly advocate election or defeat of any clearly identified candidate. Accordingly, upon my recommendation, the Commission has closed its file in this matter.

Should additional information come to your attention which you believe establishes a violation of the Federal Election Campaign Laws, please contact me. The staff member assigned to this matter was Lyn Oliphant (telephone no. 202/382-4055).

Sincerely yours,

/s/

John G. Murphy, Jr.  
General Counsel

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
(Anonymous) )

MUR 183 (76)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, Secretary to the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on July 12, 1976, the Commission adopted the recommendation of the General Counsel that it finds no reason to believe that a violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, had been committed in the above-captioned matter.

Accordingly, the file in this case has been closed.

*Marjorie W. Emmons*  
Marjorie W. Emmons  
Secretary to the Commission

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July 12, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: BILL OLDAKER  
FROM: MARGE EMMONS *MWE*

All of the MURS listed below were transmitted to the  
Commission on July 9, 1976. As of  
July 12, 1976 - 11:00 a.m., no objections were received  
in MURS 176 (76); 179 (76); 180 (76);  
183 (76); 184 (76).

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DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMITTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

NO. MUR 183 (76)

REC'D: 6/25/76

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C.

Complainant's Name: Loren A. Smith (unnotarized letter)

Respondent's Name: Anonymous

Relevant Statute: 2 U.S.C. §§441d; 441h (by implication)

Internal Reports Checked: None

Federal Agencies Checked: None

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATION

The allegations are the same as those in MUR 174. They involve  
anonymous letters concerning Governor Reagan.

PRELIMINARY LEGAL ANALYSIS

(See MUR 174 attached)

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RECOMMENDATION

Close file. Send attached letter.

Date of Next Commission Review: \_\_\_\_\_

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June 21, 1976

EVIDENCE  
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CC # 257  
MUR 183

Mr. Gordon Andrew McKay  
Assistant Staff Director for  
Disclosure and Compliance  
Federal Election Commission  
1325 K Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

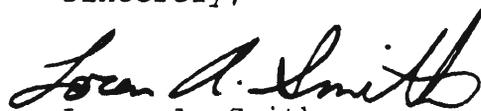
Dear Mr. McKay:

The enclosed anonymous letter concerning Governor Reagan's candidacy was received by various news outlets in California just prior to the California primary. It is on its face a violation of 2 U.S.C. Sec. 441 (d).

Enclosed are xerox copies of the correspondence, copies of envelopes, and copies of letters received from some of the editors who turned the material over to our campaign. We have no idea who is responsible for this tactic, but prefer to believe it is some terribly sick individual.

If I can provide any more information on this matter please let me know.

Sincerely,



Loren A. Smith  
General Council

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CC # 259  
MUR 183

Dear Editor:

I am writing to you in hope of curbing a vicious rumor that is being spread by some on the Carter campaign that I would Reagan is a homosexual. Carter supporters say they have this commented and will cite such disreputable sources as a novelist who claims to have witnessed Mr. Reagan in a homosexual act, and articles written by the Los Angeles Free Press. Mr. Carter's recent statements to the press on the subject of homosexuality as "irrelevant" coincide with the spread of these rumors, and raise serious questions of integrity and political responsibility.

The Carter people state such as the fact that Mr. Reagan refused to take a lie detector test on the issue of his homosexual experiences--as if such refusal is definitive evidence that he is a homosexual. In any case the private life of any person should remain just that--private. We have evidence that other Presidents have had homosexual relations, but we feel it would not be acting responsibly to condemn a national leader on the basis of a few experiences earlier in life.

This letter is to inform you that I would Reagan is not a homosexual, and hope you will advise that the printing of any such allegations will neither please me nor the public. I'm sure that neither advertisers nor subscribers would want to associate with any paper that publishes a decent American like Mr. Reagan. I do assure you that you will find it in your own best interests to refrain from disseminating an honest candidate.

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# Handloader

The Journal of Ammunition Reloading

# Rifle

The Magazine for Shooters

NEAL KNOX, Editor/Publisher

CC#259  
MAR 1976

June 15, 1976

Press Secretary  
Citizens for Reagan  
Campaign Headquarters  
1835 K Street, N.W.  
Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20006

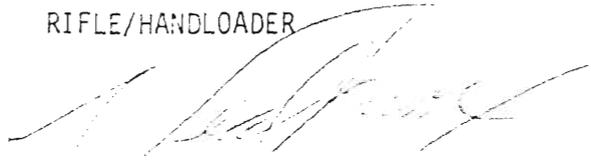
Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a scurrilous "dirty tricks" type letter which came in about June 5, while I was out of the office. By the time I received the letter, the envelope had been detached, so we have no way of knowing the source.

I am sorry that we cannot give you any solid information, but at least you will have a copy for your files.

Best regards,

RIFLE/HANDLOADER

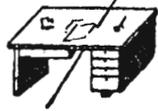


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Enclosure

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From the desk of \_\_\_\_\_

Eddie Adams

CC # 259

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Wed. June 9/76

Dear Rose-Marie Monk:

Enclosed is the piece of "garbage" which I called you about, and which should be nipped in the bud, if possible.

My phone no. at work is (213) 737-6820

Evenings Eddie Goldstein  
3509 Rosewood Ave.,  
Los Angeles, Calif. 90066

Phones (213) 397-9872 or  
398-2874

I believe I mentioned this mailed to our editor, received June 9. I am not in editorial, I am in sales, but when I saw it, I wanted to inform you at once, out of my respect and admiration for Ronald Reagan.

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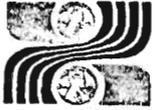
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# Pennysaver

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MUR 183

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June 11, 1976

Ronald Reagan Campaign Headquarters  
1888 Century Park East  
Suite 1626  
Los Angeles, California 90067

Gentlemen:

This came to me today in an unmarked envelope and unsigned.

I am of the opinion that it was meant to stir up controversy which would be unfair and possibly slanderous. If it was not meant to be anti-Reagan, then why is there no identification.

I feel it in the interest of fair political practices to make you aware of this.

Sincerely,

Cal Tremblay, Publisher  
Van/De Publishing Company

CT/nb

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**MEMO FROM**

**ARABIAN HORSE WORLD**

DATE June 10, 1976 TIME \_\_\_\_\_

TO Ronald Reagan

Dear Mr. Reagan:

The enclosed came to us June 10 "as is."

Thought you might like to see it -- Arabian Horse World is just a horse magazine and we can't imagine why or how we got on such a mailing list, but we did.

Congratulations on your grand sweep in the primary here.

Cordially yours,  
*Lucille Shuler*  
Lucille Shuler

(They have used our old address instead of our present "2650 E. Bayshore" and have the zip code wrong as well -- 94302 -- although that is not pertinent to this matter.)

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Arabian Horse World  
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Ft. Alto Ca 94300

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California Pharmacists  
Suite 645, 555 Capitol Hill  
Sacramento CA 95814

*Shirley Moore  
7/1/76*

6-10-76

Dear Lyn: Yesterday I sent one of these to Loreli. Got another one today. This guy says he has a very small publication that goes to the local pharmacists.....so these letters are EVERYWHERE.

Shirley Moore

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