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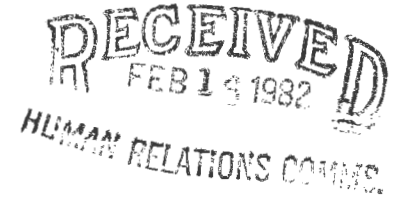
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PORTLAND, OREGON 97204



February 10, 1982

Ms. Linda Roberts
Metropolitan Human Relations Commission
Suite 312
430 S.W. Morrison
Portland, Oregon 97204

RE: Issac Shamsud-Din



Dear Linda:

Please find enclosed a copy of the complaint which we have filed in Issac Shamsud-Din's case.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the assistance which you gave Issac after this incident occurred. Since your agency was one of the first resources he looked to fo help, it may be that we will be seeking to take a statement from you regarding the effect that you noticed this incident had upon him. Again, thank you very much for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

ROYCE, SWANSON & THOMAS


Raymond F. Thomas

RFT:srw

Encl.

cc: Issac Shamsud-Din

A True Copy
Michael P. Royce

1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON
2 FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

3 ISSAC SHAMSUD-DIN,)
4 Plaintiff,) No. A8112-07932
5 v.) COMPLAINT
6 STEVE CHRISTY, J.L. LADD)
7 and GREYHOUND LINES, INC.,)
8 Defendants.)

9 Plaintiff alleges as follows:

10 FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF
11 INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

12 I

13 Plaintiff is a Black American who resides in
14 Multnomah County, Oregon.

15 II

16 At all times mentioned Greyhound Lines, Inc. was
17 a California corporation operating pursuant to the laws of
18 the state of Oregon with its main place of business in
19 Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon.

20 III

21 At all times mentioned defendants Steve Christy
22 and J.L. Ladd were acting within the course and scope of
23 their employment as bus drivers for defendant Greyhound
24 Lines, Inc.

25 IV

26 At all times mentioned Greyhound Lines, Inc. is

1 a corporation organized to do business as a common carrier
2 of bus passengers.

3 V

4 On or about August 10, 1981 at 9:30 p.m. plaintiff
5 attempted to purchase a ticket for a bus from Salem to Portland,
6 Oregon. The ticket office was closed and plaintiff was in-
7 structed to make his purchase from the driver of the bus he
8 wished to take.

9 VI

10 Defendant Steve Christy, the driver of the bus
11 plaintiff planned to take, refused to sell plaintiff a ticket
12 even though plaintiff presented himself at the proper time
13 and place with the correct amount of money to make the purchase.

14 VII

15 Defendant Steve Christy, while dressed in his driver
16 uniform, then told defendant J.L. Ladd, who was also dressed
17 in a driver uniform, that plaintiff was "nigger trash". Other
18 bus passengers were milling around the bus waiting for it to
19 depart and this and other insulting statements about plaintiff
20 were made in their presence by defendant Steve Christy.

21 VIII

22 Defendant Steve Christy then sold plaintiff a
23 ticket and he boarded the bus. After plaintiff was seated
24 defendant Steve Christy announced to the busload of passengers
25 that plaintiff had caused him to be so upset that the departure
26 of the bus would have to be delayed. One half of the twenty

1 passengers then left the bus.

2 IX

3 After the passengers reboarded the bus defendant
4 Steve Christy demanded that plaintiff leave his seat and ride
5 another later bus to Portland. Plaintiff declined. This
6 occurred in front of the other passengers on the bus.

7 X

8 Defendant Steve Christy then, in front of the other
9 passengers, loudly called defendant insulting names, one of
10 which was "black trash". When he said this spittle flew into
11 the plaintiff's face.

12 XI

13 Defendant Steve Christy then grabbed a manila
14 envelope containing photographs of plaintiff's art work
15 out of his hands and ran from the bus.

16 XII

17 Plaintiff gathered up his luggage and followed
18 defendant Steve Christy out of the bus to get his envelope
19 returned.

20 XIII

21 Defendant Steve Christy gave defendant J.L. Ladd,
22 the driver of a later bus to Portland, plaintiff's envelope.
23 Defendant J.L. Ladd walked quickly over to his bus with
24 plaintiff's envelope, not responding to plaintiff's requests
25 that he stop and return it.

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Defendant Steve Christy returned to his bus and quickly left the bus station without plaintiff. Plaintiff was thereby forced to ride to Portland on a second later bus driven by defendant J.L. Ladd.

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During the trip to Portland defendant J.L. Ladd drove the bus far below the 55 m.p.h. speed limit, sometimes as low as 40 m.p.h. He did this willfully and intentionally to prevent plaintiff from making further contact with witnesses to the incident with defendant Steve Christy.

XVI

Defendant J.L. Ladd used insulting language toward plaintiff on several occasions during the ride to Portland. Upon arrival in Portland when plaintiff demanded the names of the drivers defendant J.L. Ladd refused to identify himself by name or to disclose the identity of defendant Steve Christy.

XVII

The actions of defendants above alleged were committed within the course and scope of their authority and employment for Greyhound Lines, Inc. Defendants' actions violated the special relationship between passenger and common carrier. Their actions were committed with the intent to cause plaintiff extreme emotional distress or with reckless disregard of the predictable effects upon plaintiff

1 hereinafter described:

2 1) humiliation and embarrassment in front of two
3 busloads of passengers and persons outside the Salem Grey-
4 hound Bus Station;

5 2) fear that he would not be allowed to take a bus
6 to Portland;

7 3) fear and humiliation that his pictures were
8 lost when they were taken from him;

9 4) disgust, embarrassment, and humiliation when
10 spittle from defendant Steve Christy's mouth hit him in
11 the face; and

12 5) outrage when defendant J.L. Ladd refused to dis-
13 close his name or that of defendant Steve Christy.

14 XVIII

15 As a direct and proximate result of defendant's
16 outrageous conduct in the extreme, plaintiff suffered mental
17 anguish, outrage, humiliation, impairment of his earning
18 capacity, fear and severe emotional distress all to his
19 general damage in the sum of \$75,000.00.

20 XIX

21 The reckless, intentional and malicious, outrageous
22 conduct in the extreme alleged above represents an aggravated
23 violation of vital social interests and are such as punitive
24 damages would tend to deter. Plaintiff demands \$150,000.00
25 punitive damages.

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As a further direct and proximate result of defend-
ants' acts, plaintiff required medical and psychological treat-
ment in the amount of \$_____.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

ACTION FOR DAMAGES BY PERSON DISCRIMINATED AGAINST

XXI

Plaintiff alleges and incorporates paragraphs I
through XVI of his First Claim for Relief.

XXII

The Salem Greyhound Bus Station, the two Greyhound
buses plaintiff entered, and the Portland Greyhound Bus
station are places of public accomodation.

XXIII

Defendants Steve Christy and J.L. Ladd aided and
abetted each other in the actions complained of in this
claim for relief.

XXIV

Greyhound Lines, Inc. is the operator of the Salem
Greyhound Bus Station, the two buses plaintiff entered,
and the Portland Greyhound Bus Station.

XXI

Defendants' actions were designed to intentionally,
maliciously and recklessly deprive plaintiff on account of
his color, religion, marital status, national origin and
race of his right under Oregon law to full and equal

1 accomodation, advantage, facilities and privileges of the
2 places of public accomodation described in paragraph XXII.

3 XXVI

4 Defendants Steve Christy and J.L. Ladd by their
5 acts above alleged proximately caused deprivation of plaintiff's
6 right under Oregon Law to full and equal accomodation, advantage,
7 facilities, and privileges of any place of public accomodation,
8 without distinction, discrimination, or restriction or account
9 of race, religion, marital status, color or national origin.

10 XXVI

11 Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference
12 paragraphs XVIII through XX of his First Claim for Relief
13 which contain his allegations of injuries and damages incurred
14 by the acts of defendants in the amounts of \$75,000.00 general
15 damages, \$150,000.00 punitive damages and \$ _____
16 special damages.

17 XXVIII

18 Plaintiff is entitled to reasonable attorney fees,
19 costs and necessary disbursements. This claim arises under
20 ORS 30.670.

21 THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF

22 EJECTION

23 XXIX

24 Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference
25 paragraphs I through XVI of his First Claim for Relief and
26 paragraph XXIII of his Second Claim for Relief.

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Defendants' intentional, malicious and reckless acts proximately caused the ejection of plaintiff without just cause or provocation from the bus for which plaintiff had purchased a ticket and on which plaintiff had boarded with his luggage.

XXXI

As a direct and proximate result of defendants' ejection, plaintiff suffered mental anguish, outrage, humiliation, impairment of his earning capacity, pain and suffering all to his general damage in the sum of \$75,000.00.

XXXII

The reckless, intentional and malicious conduct of defendants alleged above represents an aggravated violation of vital social interests and are such as punitive damages would tend to deter. Plaintiff demands \$150,000.00 punitive damages.

XXXIII

As a further direct and proximate result of defendants' acts, plaintiff required medical and psychological treatment in the amount of \$_____.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
NEGLIGENT HIRING AND RETENTION

XXXIV

As to defendant Greyhound lines, Inc. plaintiff realleges paragraphs I through XVI of his First Claim for

1 Relief.

2 XXXV

3 Defendant Greyhound was negligent in hiring defend-
4 ants Steve Christy and J.L. Ladd because defendant Greyhound
5 Lines, Inc. knew or in the exercise of reasonable care should
6 have known, that defendants Steve Christy and J.L. Ladd were
7 men of violent, insulting, racist and inappropriate disposi-
8 tion likely to insult and abuse the rights of common carrier
9 passengers of color with whom they came into contact and to
10 commit the kinds of behavior above alleged.

11 XXXVI

12 Plaintiff was a proper paying customer of defendant
13 Greyhound Lines, Inc. and defendant Greyhound Lines, Inc.
14 owed him a special duty of care to provide safe and peaceful
15 and timely transportation on its buses.

16 XXXVII

17 During the entire time defendants Steve Christy
18 and J.L. Ladd were employed by defendant Greyhound Lines, Inc.
19 they exhibited traits of dissipation and irresponsibility.

20 XXXVIII

21 Under the circumstances, defendant Greyhound Lines,
22 Inc. was negligent in employing, supervising and retaining
23 defendants Steve Christy and J.L. Ladd in its employ and in
24 not taking measures to prevent the conduct before described
25 in time to have avoided the injuries of which plaintiff
26 complains.

1 XXXIX

2 As a direct and proximate result of defendant
3 Greyhound Lines, Inc.'s negligence plaintiff suffered the
4 injuries more specifically set forth in paragraphs XVII,
5 XVIII and XX of his First Claim for Relief in the amounts of
6 \$75,000.00 general damages and \$ _____ special
7 damages.

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9 WHEREFORE plaintiff prays for judgment against the
10 defendants in the sum of \$150,000.00 punitive damages,
11 \$75,000.00 general damages, \$ _____ special damages,
12 and reasonable attorneys fees, costs and necessary disbursements.

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14 ROYCE, SWANSON & THOMAS

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17 Raymond F. Thomas
18 Attorney for Plaintiff
19 Bar No. 79416
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HAESSLER, TILBURY & PLATTEN

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW

(503) 223-2626

2525 FIRST INTERSTATE TOWER · PORTLAND, OREGON 97201

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August 24, 1981

Mr. Steve Siporin
Oregon Arts Commission
835 Summer Street, N.E.
Salem, Oregon 97301

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Re: Mr. Shamsud-Din

Dear Steve:

I received your letter today. Tomorrow morning I'm leaving to go to Hawaii for two weeks. (I was born and raised there.)

I suggest that you do the following:

- (1) Send a copy of your letter to the State Attorney General's office.
- (2) Send a copy of your letter to Sid Lezak, U. S. Attorney for the District of Oregon, P. O. Box 71, Portland, Oregon, 97207. Because the incident involves a public interstate carrier, there may be violations of Federal Civil Rights laws.
- (3) Talk to Mr. Shamsud-Din about his making a formal complaint to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. They have jurisdiction over allegations of violations of Federal Civil Rights laws. All he would have to do is call them and make an appointment. It is imperative the incident be investigated immediately before memories get stale and evidence is misplaced. Witnesses could be found by subpoenaing the sales receipts for that day and looking through the credit card charge slips for that particular Greyhound bus to Portland.
- (4) Mr. Shamsud-Din could bring a civil suit against Greyhound in Federal Court alleging violations of Federal Civil Rights laws. The best attorneys that I know for him to talk to would be Charles Merten (Portland) or Roger Tilbury (Portland).

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Mr. Steve Siporin
August 24, 1981
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While we have no assurance that the facts are as alleged, it definitely needs to be looked into. I'll return from Hawaii on the 6th of September. Please call me at my office after that date, 223-2626. My home number is 249-3898.

Yours truly,

Frank A. Wilson / jab
Frank. A. Wilson

P.S. I left this letter in my office on Saturday night for my secretary to type on Monday. That's why it's dated the 24th.

FAW:jab

Metropolitan Human Relations Commission

Multnomah County • City of Portland

August 24, 1981



Ms. Selina Roberts
Metropolitan Arts Commission
430 SW Morrison
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Ms. Roberts: *Selina*

Enclosed is a narrative of the horrendous situation experienced by Isaac Shamsud-Din after hanging the show in the Governor's Office.

I thought you might like to share this with your Commission. It may give them an idea of the problems experienced by Blacks in this state. Experiences such as this are not uncommon and speak in great part as to why minority artists leave to continue their endeavors elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Linda Roberts
Executive Director

LR:vn
Enclosures



Corbett Building, Room 312
430 S W Morrison Street
Portland, Oregon 97204 • 248-4187



Greyhound Bus Depot - Salem, Oregon 9:40 P.M., August 10, 1981

Leaving Salem after hanging a show in the Governor's Office. On reaching the Greyhound Bus Station, I asked for a ticket and was refused one, being told that I would have to get one from driver because the ticket office was closed when bus arrived. I attempted to buy a ticket from driver who scratched around, acted agitated, and asked me why didn't I buy a ticket inside at ticket counter. I informed him that I had attempted to do so (I had arrived at the station at 9:40 p.m.), but was told ticket office was closed. I then asked when a bus would be leaving for Portland. The answer from behind the ticket counter was that it was to arrive between now (9:40 p.m.) and 10:00 p.m. Another said 20 minutes. I asked for change to make a call to my family in Portland but was told by the ticket person that he had no change and that I could get it at the bar next door, which I did. I returned at 9:45 p.m. and noticed a bus had pulled up, and so I went to see if it was bound for Portland. I could not locate the driver at first, but then someone came from around bus, dressed in dark blue trousers and light blue shirt, capless and otherwise not distinguishable as a driver. He asked who was riding, and I stepped forward stating I was leaving if he was bound for Portland.

Stating that he was in a hurry after walking briskly and agitatedly into the station, he suggested I take the next bus (which had just arrived) because he was in a hurry and had to catch a plane. I (not really understanding what's going on) started toward the other bus but stopped when I noticed the driver of the new bus, being told out the window things like "that asshole there," etc., pointing me out to the other driver. Upon realizing I was the object of this talk, I proceeded to the window of the first driver and on confirming that the asshole being referred to was me, and that there were no other passengers on the second bus and room on the first one, I demanded to ride the first bus, or my lawyer would be contacting him in the morning. He immediately exited the bus and came around to me and said he was sorry and that he was just hot and upset because he was running behind schedule. To this, I replied, "All I want to do is get to Portland. I am very tired (my lower legs were very swollen, and I was in quite a bit of pain). To this, he replied that he was sorry (again), "I am double sorry, get on the bus." I entered the bus and took a seat about four rows from the front on the right-hand side. The driver left the bus and I thought to ask the other riders if they had seen what had just taken place; several said yes.

About three minutes later, the driver reentered the bus and straightforwardly announced that "this rider has made me so upset that I'm going to give you all an extra five-minute break while I cool off." He had been talking exclusively to the second driver (J. L. Ladd). He then left the bus as did about ten or more passengers (one-half the riders). I was both embarrassed and incensed at being dealt with in this way, as I did not really believe all this was actually taking place. I decided to write

the facts down on a manila envelope about this activity. The other passengers reboarded the bus and the driver, who then came up to my seat, asked, "Will you ride on the other bus?" I asked him why, and he replied that he could not drive the bus with me on it because he was too upset and too sensitive. To this new outrage, I stated my refusal to leave my seat under these circumstances, and I did not wish to discuss it further, and that I was very tired. To this, he stated that he had heard of white trash but that I was Black trash (in a loud voice), spittle flying in my face. With all my resolve, I refused any sort of violence, and, in fact, asked my fellow travelers had they all heard and understood clearly what had transpired. Although at this time, I was very angry and frustrated, I forced myself to be calm, not striking or calling names.

As I was asking the passengers behind me if they would be witnesses (as most of them were), if need be, the driver (Steve Christy) snatched my property from my hand, "Give me that," (inside the envelope -- 8" x 10" black and white promo, and other exhibit items), and ran from the bus. I pursued him as soon as I could collect my other items (paint, hammer, technical pens, sunglasses, tacks). As I stepped down from the bus, I saw him hand my property to the second driver, with whom he had just been speaking, who started walking fast toward the other bus. Despite my protestations, he continued until I snatched it back from his hand. The other driver, meanwhile, jumped back on his bus and drove away (fast). I then was forced to ride in the second bus or have no ride at all. The second driver used abusive language and profanity frequently and drove well below the 55 m.p.h. limit, sometimes as low as 40 m.p.h. We arrived much later than the other bus. Because of this, I was able to find only one witness, although I could recognize several people.

The driver of the second bus refused to identify himself by name, giving me a phony number instead, refused to give the other driver's name, and told me the generator had gone out on the bus and that he might not make it to Portland.

WITNESS:

Paul Sternberg
Box 177F
U. of Md. Munich Campus
A.P.O. NY 09407

August 14 & 15: (414) 442-1305
Milwaukie, Wisconsin

In Germany from August 17-22
Frankfurt (0611) 506531

DRIVER:

Steve Christy
Schedule #1482
Bus No. 7744

DRIVER:

(I rode with)
J. L. Ladd
#8016

Isaac Shamsud-Din
535 N. E. Knott Street
Portland, Oregon 97212



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Oregon Arts Commission

835 SUMMER STREET, N.E., SALEM, OREGON 97301 PHONE (503) 378-3625

August 19, 1981

Honorable Victor Atiyeh
Governor
Oregon State Capitol
Salem, OR 97310

Dear Governor Atiyeh:

I would like to bring to your attention an incident of alleged racial harassment which occurred recently in Salem. I think this will be of particular concern to you both because of your work this legislative session to outlaw racial harassment and the fact that the person whose rights were allegedly violated, Afro-American artist Isaac Shamsud-Din, was in Salem preparing an exhibit of his work for your office.

This letter is not the place to recount the details of the incident. (Nor was I present at the time.) Briefly, however, Mr. Shamsud-Din was prevented from riding on the scheduled Greyhound bus returning to Portland on Monday evening, August 10, 1981. He was insulted by one driver, eventually forced from his seat on one bus and onto another in which he was the sole passenger. He was then driven slowly to Portland, apparently so that witnesses from the first bus would be dispersed by the time of his arrival.

This kind of insult is intolerable and unworthy of our people and state. It only recalls the worst of a most shameful part of our history.

I am, at this point, thankful that the incident did not erupt into a more tragic outcome. I think that is due largely to restraint on Mr. Shamsud-Din's part, which was based on the belief that legal redress is possible, that justice exists in Oregon. I think it is very important to confirm that belief.

I am contacting Mr. Frank Wilson, a member of your Commission on Black Affairs, to help Mr. Shamsud-Din find the best course of action. I would also appreciate any advice you can provide.

Sincerely,

Steve Siporin
Folk Arts Consultant
Oregon Arts Commission

SS:nm

cc: Frank Wilson
Isaac Shamsud-Din
Selina Roberts, Director, Metropolitan Arts Commission

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August 25, 1976

Mr. Wohlschlegel
Manager
Cosmopolitan Hotel
1030 N.E. Union Ave.
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Wohlschlegel:

Having been a patron of the Cosmopolitan Hotel for the last year and having received courteous and professional service in the past, it was with expectations of the same kind of service that on August 22, 1976 at 9:00 p.m., I brought my wife to the DUGOUT. Being somewhat pressed for time (we were due to retrieve our children from the Lloyd Center skating rink at 10:00 p.m.), we stopped only for a couple of cocktails and a quick club sandwich. I gave my American Express card to the waitress as payment for the check of approximately \$2.50. Ms. Johnson, our waitress, stated that she required I.D., at which point I produced my Washington Driver's License. The waitress proceeded to ask for more I.D. with a "recent valid signature" and I informed her that my driver's license was all the I.D. I had with me at the time. Ms. Johnson immediately became rude and uncooperative and demanded more I.D. When I told her once again that I had no more I.D. she threatened to call the Portland Police Department.

The bartender then took matters into his hands and checked the American Express list for stolen cards and couldn't find any description that would apply to me, and therefore, O.K.ed the liquor part of the bill. Despite this, Ms. Johnson called the Portland Police Department and continued to hold my card in her possession.

At this point it was 10:05 p.m., and becoming more perturbed than ever, I proceeded to the main part of the lobby to attempt to find someone who could help me deal with Ms. Johnson. The night clerk, Mr. Herbie Jordan, told me that he thought he was in charge. After I explained the situation in detail, Mr. Jordan told me (in a very unplea-

sant manner) that there was nothing he could do, and that it was up to a regular food waitress.

At 11:05 p.m. two officers of the Portland Police Department arrived at the motel. Officers Morse and White, after being familiarized with the situation, ran a check on me and also a check on the American Express Card. When this check failed to turn up anything against me or the card the officers promptly returned my card, which I had been trying to recover for 1 and 1/2 hours. (Please bear in mind, that at this time, our two children had been waiting, unaccompanied, at the Lloyd Center for over an hour; a fact that made absolutely no difference to either the waitress, Ms. Johnson, or the night clerk, Mr. Jordan.0

Needless to say, that this incident even happened is still incredible to me. I can think of no reason why I was singled out as a victim of this embarrassing and insulting situation. This incident was unfortunate for me in more than one way because I have, in the past, been in the habit of taking my clients and business associates to the Dugout and Cosmopolitan for lunch, supper or a friendly drink or two. I will, naturally, be wary of ever taking anyone to the Dugout again so I lose the use of a location that was very convenient for me.

I certainly hope that your firm will have the courtesy to apologize to my wife and I. In closing, I would like to remind you that a customer is the most important person in any business venture. Perhaps Ms. Johnson and Mr. Jordan should also be reminded of this fact, since without customers, they would both be without jobs.

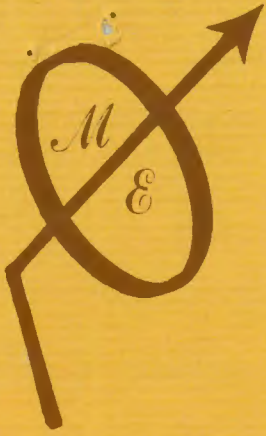
Sincerely yours,



Bernie Foster,
Publisher

cc: Robert K. Powers Sr., President
American Express Co.
Phil Bouge, President, Portland Chamber of Commerce
Better Business Bureau
Human Rights Division, State of Oregon
Mr. Landon, Assistant Manager, Cosmopolitan Hotel
Tom Cavanaugh, Attorney
Mr. Jordan, Night Clerk, Cosmopolitan Hotel
Ms. Johnson, Waitress, Cosmopolitan Hotel

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April 20, 1976

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Mr. Vern Summer, Director
Metropolitan Human Resources
City Hall
Room 410
1220 Southwest Fifth Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mr. Summers:

As per our conversation on April 19, 1976, please notice the attached correspondence regarding our talk of my problem with the Portland Rose Festival Fun Committee and Mr. Roske.

Sincerely,

Daniel L. Mitchell, Owner

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(attachments (2))

c.c. R. Ryan Lawrence, Attorney

April 20, 1976

Mrs. Ginna Deinum,
Office of the Mayor
City of Portland
1220 Southwest Fifth Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mrs. Deinum:

As per our conversation on April 19, 1976, I submit the following information:

On February 9, 1976, I contacted Mr. Al Beachall, Manager, of the Rose Festival Fun Center for 1976, and requested space for a food concession. He informed me that on February 10, 1976, the Festival Committee would begin the task of sorting the requests for space and would then contact those slated for booths to make further arrangements. He then requested that I send him a letter stating briefly our type of operation and the amount of space required. (please see attachment A).

On February 24, 1976, we received a correspondence from Mr. Beachall and the Rose Festival Committee, in which he informed us that the concessions contract was awarded to Mr. Ed Roske. (see attachment B)

Please note that the letter attachment (B) does not make mention of the fact that Mr. Roske has received this contract for the past ten years.

After hearing nothing from Mr. Roske, I called the number provided by the Festival Committee and found it to be disconnected. I therefore, obtained the proper number and talked to Mrs. Roske, who asked the nature of my business, etc. She informed me that there was no space available and stated further, that she and Mr. Roske would be out of town until approximately April 4, 1976.

On April 4th, I called Mr. Roske and was informed that he was out of the office and would return my call. When he did, he informed me that there was no space for my operation.

To date, there has been no involvement by Blacks in the Portland Rose Festival Food Concessions, which is sickening, when one considers the number of Blacks, ever growing, who reside in our fair city. It stands to reason that a city with growing pains, must change with the changes in the complexion of her inhabitants, in order that all may take pride in our "City of Roses".

In closing, let me say that I sincerely hope action will be taken to correct this injustice.

Very truly yours,

Daniel L. Mitchell, Owner
Fig-on-the-Pit Restaurant

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attachments (2)

c.c. R. Ryan Lawrence, Attorney-at-Law

Vernon Summers, Director/Metropolitan
Human Resources

February 10, 1976

Mr. Al Beachell
Northern Light Concessions
6500 Northeast Portland Highway
Portland, Oregon 97218

Dear Mr. Beachell:

We are interested in operating a concession stand at the 1976 Rose Festival. The concession we plan would include sales of open pit Bar-B-Que, which would be prepared daily at the Festival site. We would also sell our patented Bar-B-Que Sauce. On Conation night we would plan the preparation of a whole pig at the Festival site for sale and display. We would need a space approximately 40' by 40' in order to operate our stand.

As this is a Bi-Centennial year, it is our feeling that we would be an added attraction to the 1976 Rose Festival celebration, as we have not participated heretofore.

I would like to have any available information concerning the Festival site. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us at 283-4573.

Very truly yours,

Daniel L. Mitchell, President

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c.c. Rose Festival Association

PORTLAND ROSE FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION

10 S.W. ASH STREET
PORTLAND, OREGON 97204
503 - 227-2681

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to Daniel L. Mitchell, President
Mitchell Enterprises
213 N. Killingsworth
Portland, Oregon 97211

DATE February 24, 1976

SUBJECT

We are forwarding your letter to Ed Roske. Mr. Roske has been awarded the food concession contract for this year.

You may contact Mr. Roske at Ed Roske Concessions, P. O. Box 42385, Portland, Oregon, 97242. His phone number is: (503) 760-5399. 227-2681

Thank you for your interest in the Rose Festival Fun Center.

Sincerely,

Al Beachell

Al Beachell, Manager
Festival Fun Center

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METROPOLITAN HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Multnomah County — City of Portland
410 City Hall ■ Portland, Oregon 97204 ■ 248-4187

~~Walter Sakak~~
~~Chairman~~
Vernon Summers
Director
~~James R. Sizemore~~
~~Assistant Director~~

January 21, 1976

TO: Sheriff Lee Brown

FROM: Vern Summers *VS*

SUBJECT: K-Mart incident

I have been unable to locate the manager of K-Mart or come up with the name of whoever is in charge. Will you please check your records to see if you might have this information and let me know.

Enclosed is correspondence pertinent to the above-mentioned incident.

Thanks.

gp
Enc.



PACIFIC REGION
 NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE
 YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS
 OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Corporate Body: National Board of Young Men's Christian Associations

November 26, 1975

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Mr. Barron Hilton
 Hilton Hotels International
 9990 Santa Monica Blvd.
 Beverly Hills, California 90212

Dear Mr. Hilton:

On November 19, 1975, I was in the city of Portland, Oregon doing some work with the Portland Metropolitan Y. M. C. A. That evening, as is my custom when in Portland, I had dinner at the Portland Hilton Hotel. Upon completion of my dinner, I proceeded to visit a friend who was working there (in a business unrelated to the Hotel operation), and in the process I had an experience which resulted in the initiation of this letter.

Before providing you with the details, I think it is important for me to identify some personal characteristics which might help put this incident into perspective. First, I am a young black man presently employed as a Regional Consultant for the National Board of Y. M. C. A.s. My personal appearance, while perhaps atypical when compared to conventional hair and dress standards, certainly befits the business-like and professional demeanor I have consciously striven to elicit.

I bring these factors to your attention, primarily because I think the incident of which I am about to speak, occurred solely because of unjustifiable discriminatory behavior aimed at select groups of individuals of which I am obviously a member.

While attempting to board the elevator to visit the fore-mentioned friend, an elderly gentleman, offering no self-identification, abruptly grabbed my arm, demanding to see my room key. After courteously explaining that my only mission, after departing from the restaurant, was to visit an acquaintance working in the hotel and further stating that I had obtained lodging in the hotel across the street, your employee adamantly and abusively replied "that doesn't make a damn bit of difference, I need to see some identification". I immediately complied and presented him with one of my

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Mr. Barron Hilton
November 26, 1975

business cards which identified me as an employee of the National Board of Y. M. C. A.s, Pacific Region staff. This concession was followed by a further request on his part, to keep the card I had submitted. Not wishing to perpetuate what I thought to be an unnecessary humiliating situation and disturbed by the increasing curious attention aroused by those hotel guests present in the lobby, I proceeded to the room of the person I had previously attempted to visit.

Upon completion of the meeting of my friend, I immediately located the gentleman who had earlier accosted me. Learning that he was employed as the hotel security director, I in turn, requested identification and received a business card identifying him as Robert L. Miller, Security Director. When asked the purpose of my request, I stated that in view of such an abrasive display of non-professionalism on his part, I thought the matter deserved to be brought to the attention of his superiors.

While I feel that the reprimand of this employee will probably serve only to reinforce, and unleash upon future guests, similar negative treatment of the type I received, I do believe that some action, on the part of the hotel management, is necessary to eradicate the kind of selective confrontation which I have described. It is my belief that it would be in the best interest of this employee and that of the entire Hilton enterprise, to review the present hiring and training practices currently in use. Obviously, a more sensitized approach to patrons and/or their guests, would curtail indignities such as I have suffered. Realizing that accusations, such as mine, often lead to cries of - "being too sensitive" and of the employee that - "he was only doing his job". I rigidly maintain that clinging tenaciously to archaic procedures, which tend to heighten and exacerbate old wounds, only perpetuate general public distaste for such practices.

Please be sure that my only intent in writing this letter, is to advise and to awaken your corporation to the potential danger that exists when employees persist in "doing their job", at any and all cost, inconsiderate of their motives, the feeling of their "victim" and the resultant side effects. After all, the next "victim" may not react as patiently or comply in the congenial manner, that I did. Because, as a seasoned traveler, I am certainly no foreigner to the customs or attitudes of those in this region (and as a black in America, I cannot forget that some of the most degenerate of the attitudes exist even in agencies and corporations such as the Y. M. C. A. and the

Page 3

Mr. Barron Hilton
November 26, 1975

Hilton enterprise), I hope that someday, all members of ethnic or racial groups will have the liberty to travel free of the type of arbitrarily imposed strife I found confronting me in your establishment, not so long ago.

Thank you for your kindness and consideration.

Very truly yours,

Joe Fabre
Regional Associate

JF:ijm

cc: Mr. Ford Montgomery

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October 29, 1975

Professor Richard P. Pench
604 Portland Towers
950 SW 21st Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97205

Dear Dr. Pench:

I am in receipt of your letter concerning discriminatory practices in King Tower of Portland. NAHRW is not an enforcement agency and does not, itself, investigate such complaints. However, there is a Human Rights Commission in Portland, and I am taking the liberty of sending a copy of your letter to Mr. Vern Summers, the Director of the Human Relations Commission there.

It certainly sounds as if you have exhausted every possibility, but perhaps Mr. Summers can be of some assistance to you.

Sincerely,


William R. Jessup
President

WRJ/pm

cc: Mr. Vern Summers
Human Relations Commission



From the desk of

BILL JESSUP

October 31, 1975

Near Vernon -

I hope all goes well !!

Thanks again for all the
work you & your commission
& staff did for NAHRW.
From all reports it was
a good conference.

Do you know Wm. Teach?
Is there anything you can
do to help?

Sincerely
Bill

CITY OF WILMINGTON
HUMAN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

419 CHESTNUT STREET
P.O. BOX 1810
WILMINGTON, N.C. 28401

PHONE 919 763-0194

Report on Request for Investigation by Mr. Benshoof

The Metropolitan Human Relations Commission submits this brief report which sets forth our findings as to the accusations made by Mr. Ben Jake Benshoof.

We will be happy to confer with you or others who are concerned about the complaint of Mr. Benshoof and his inquiry into the motives of the Portland Council of Churches, University of Portland, North Cap, and a number of individuals that were involved.

The investigation indicates there were four sessions of two to two and a half hours each and were held on September 26 and 27. The subject for the four sessions were as follows:

- (1) Why do we need mass-based organizations?
- (2) What is a mass-based community organization?
- (3) What is the style of the mass-based community organization?
- (4) How can a mass-based community organization develop?

The above sessions were held at Buckley Center at the University of Portland.

The seminar instructor was the Rev. William R. Grace, previously he had been director of the Center for Urban Encounter, St. Paul, Minnesota, and instructor of community organization seminars.

The attendance at each session was less than thirty people. They were made up of businessmen from the community, the clergy, faculty members from the University of Portland, a representative from the League of Women Voters, one Negro, Mr. Walter Morris, and several university students.

During the discussions on the establishment of one mass-based community organization, reference was often made to Mr. Sol Alinsky's presentation which was given at the Association of Community Councils of Chicago entitled "From Citizen Apathy to Participation."

In the course of the investigation we talked with a number of responsible citizens and none that we could find who attended the seminars had any such interpretation of Rev. Grace's remarks as those of Mr. and Mrs. Benshoof and Mrs. Carl Johnson.

100 S.W. 21st Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97205
October 16, 1975

NOV 1 1975

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The President
National Association of Human Rights workers
Parkway Terrace
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

Dear Sir:

An Assistant Secretary of HUD, James Blair, who is black, in remarks to your Portland convention is reported in the Oregonian for Oct 14 to have said he had only been on the job three months so could not comment on housing discrimination.

On Sept 26, 1975, from Charles Howlett, Director of Compliance Division (HUD's Regional Office in Seattle) I received a letter stating the Assistant Secretary had determined from the facts he will not seek to resolve the matter of my complaint of racial discrimination filed October 1, 1974 against Harsh Investment Co of Portland, at its King Tower apartments here. That is the alter ego of Harold Schnitzer, the powerful property owner and political contributor on the West Coast. I filed under the U.S. Supreme Court Trafficante case which permits whites to object under the 1968 Act on the basis of being deprived of the company of Blacks.

As a Professor of Law I marshalled the facts on my Oct 1, 1974 complaint to provide irrefutable proof under the cases on racial discrimination. (You may find my credentials in the spring issue of The Antioch Review with my latest essay entitled "Whose Side Are The Lawyers On?" I commend in it the tale of how a black mailman in Gainesville, Florida in 1933 shaped my life).

There has never been a black resident in King Tower. The methods used for excluding them were given me by several past managers and assistant managers whose evidence, plus my own (from interviews with black janitorial help etc) I gave HUD. I was interviewed by a HUD employee named Thompson (also black) who said "they must move cautiously against a man like Schnitzer".

I also filed with the State of Oregon. Months later I received a registered letter notifying me I must contact their field representative within 5 days or be foreclosed. I did, and he said he would "contact my lawyer". He never did. That's the last of Oregon.

It took me three months to find a lawyer willing to take my private case against Harold Schnitzer under the Act. I finally got one, a Charles Merton, a young, hungry, ex-legal aide liberal, who said (white): "That should be a lovely fight against Schnitzer, that..."

During the running- possibly- of the statutory period I tried again and again to have him bring my case in federal court. He never even replied to my letters, or calls, or visits to his office (too busy to see me). I supplied him with more witnesses (one clerk who said she had made notes etc) Nothing. At last I wrote him and outlined what I considered as a professor of law his

odd behaviour. No reply. At last he wrote and said that I had no case, no one was keeping you from associating with blacks if you want to. This is opposite of what he had said when he took the case. It also repeals Traffican

After our first interview he had asked me to write Howlett, who had written with HUD's original filing of my Oct~~o~~ 1, 1974 complaint that a private action by me would terminate HUD's. Howlett's comments were exactly opposite to the ruling cases. Howlett never replied. Again and again I wrote him on his action, in the meantime contacting the former managers to see if they had been interviewed by HUD. They hadn't! Mind, they did not know I had given the names to HUD. No reply. I wrote him of Schnitzer's mild harassment of me locally. Nothing.

I wrote the national and local offices of the N.A .A.E. P. and Urban League for their help. They did not answer. I wrote the black City Commissioner here, Charles Jordan(and former student when I was a professor of law at Gonzaga). Silence.

After six months I wrote Howlett accusing him of a cover up. He did not reply. The only communication I ever had from HUD is as stated here, ending with Howlett's Sept 26 letter which added the comment " if I had any further information..Etc." I telephoned my leading witness, a former assistant manager of King Tower .She had again never been contacted by HUD. You can't say she was intimidated, as Thompson indicated was possible.

I reported this entire experience to Senator Lee Delcalf with whom I have dealt on other matters. He wrote that is the way it is with Republicans. Since receiving the Howlett's Sept 26 letter I have written him to find what "facts" HUD'S Asst. Secretary goes on. No answer.

I am defeated.

Sincerely,


Prof. Richard T. Tench



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~~Walker-Summers~~
~~Chairman~~
Vernon Summers
Director
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~James R. Sitzman~~
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

August 5, 1975

TO: Anna Street
FROM: Vern Summers
SUBJECT: Mae Grissom

I contacted Mae Grissom regarding her complaint against Jimmy "Bang-Bang" Walker. She verified that she was the winner of the 1974 Miss Tan Portland Contest which was awarded October 6, 1974. She was promised several prizes, which she did not receive. I asked her to provide me with the following:

1. Application which she completed to enter the contest.
2. Letter from Mr. Walker stating she was the winner.
3. Any other agreement(s) she and Mr. Walker had in contract form.


Ms. Grissom said she had the above items but could not locate them. She stated she would continue to look for them and call me back.

Technically, she would need something in writing in the way of a contract from Mr. Walker before any legal action could take place.


VS:gp

CITY OF PORTLAND
INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE
(NOT FOR MAILING)

July 31, 1975.

From Anna Street 
To Verne Summers
Addressed to
Subject Mae Grissom

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Verne, Mae Grissom called our office to voice a complaint against Jimmy "Bang-Bang" Walker.

She informed us that as the winner of the "1974 Miss Tan Portland" Contest (awarded October 6, 1974) she had been promised the awards and prizes listed below; however, Mr. Jimmy "Bang-Bang" Walker has failed to reciprocate.

\$500.00 Scholarship (Gloria Lavonne)
\$150.00 Cash
A Wardrobe
Representation in the National Contest

Miss Grissom is concerned that Mr. Walker has failed to keep his promises and commitments made public.

Would you investigate this matter for Commissioner Jordan and inform us? I'm sure he would be interested in the legality of the event (i.e., licensure, prizes).

Artie Grissom
5802 N. Michigan
Apartment # 9
Portland, Oregon
Phone: 283-9432

Thanks much Verne.

AST:mg

Copy filed also
under Jordan Corra



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Vernon Summers
Director
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Assistant Director

August 5, 1975

TO: Commissioner Jordan

FROM: Vern Summers

SUBJECT: Reopening of establishment located at
3837 N. Williams Avenue

In regard to the attached letter opposing the reopening of the above establishment (known as King's Tavern), I am in complete agreement with the Baptist Ministers Union. The reputation of King's Tavern was one of the worst in the Albina area. There were several killings, shootings, and assaults on police officers which terrorized the entire neighborhood. Three or four years ago, the NAACP, Urban League, Albina Ministerial Alliance, and several citizens coordinated their efforts in an attempt to close the establishment. At that time, MHRC was deeply involved in assisting those groups seeking information from the City and the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. When I talked to Rev. Percy Manuel, he said his major concern was that the King's Tavern is on the same block as his church. He also said he did not want to face the same types of problems he encountered before.

In view of the history of King's Tavern and the feeling of the people in the community, I recommend that the sale of liquor on the premises not be considered.

VS:gp
Attach.
cc: Rev. Percy Manuel

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July 11, 1975

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Mr. Clifford Walker
1919 N. E. 10th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97212

Dear Mr. Walker:

Regarding your complaint of racial discrimination by the Turquoise Room in May 1972, we find that you have justification for your case to be handled by the Civil Rights Division, State of Oregon.

According to the Multnomah County Sheriff's Special Report (file no. 72-9368) and all other investigations which this office has made, and due to the lack of legal power, we cannot take appropriate action in settling your case.

We would be happy to testify in your behalf, should this matter be brought to court.

Sincerely,

Vernon Summers
Director

VS:gp

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July 5, 1975

Vern Summers
City Hall
Portland, Oregon

Re: Multnomah County Oregon
Department of Public Safety
Special Report
Case file #72-9368

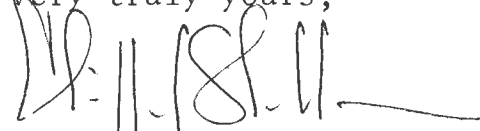
Dear Vern,

In May 1972 I contacted you regarding a complaint alleging racial discrimination by the Turquoise Room.

You assured me your office was the proper City-County agency to conduct a thorough investigation and would bring all appropriate legal actions forward.

Please notify me to the present status of the investigation and legal action.

Very truly yours,



Clifford Walker

cc: Dixon
Lewis

1919 NE 16th Ave
Portland, Oregon
97212

COMPLAINT

Customer's Name Ted D. Wheelock Phone 2271986
 Address 416 Scotland Labor Center Portland, Ore. Zip 97201
 Date Reported Jan. 17, 1975 Reported by Phone _____ or Letter _____

INFORMATION

Date of Occurrence January 17, 1975 Time 1:00 AM P.M.
 Line Passenger Train No. _____ Bus. No. 605
 Location St. Johns St. Louis Street and Lombard Street Direction outbound
 Employee Name _____ Badge No. _____

Particulars: *Driver did not drive the proper route. Driver left early. Driver argued that his time point was at Denver and Kilpatrick and he did not have to be at Chicago and Lombard at 1:05 A.M. I paid \$2.45 for the ride to St. Johns to catch that bus. I contacted Tri met office Tuesday Jan. 14, 1975, and was assured, after one Hell of a Hassel, that I could ride that bus. I have made numerous complaints about this situation.*

Enclosed copies of cab receipts for three days.

Phone 227-1234 Date 1-16-75
Madway De Luxe Cab Co. Amt. \$ 2.00
 .W. 1st AVENUE - PORTLAND, OREGON No. Pass. _____
S.T.D. Time 1230
 Time 1235
Art Salvage Car No. 23
 Chg. No. _____

Received of _____ Date 1-15-75

Received of _____ THE SUM _____

OF \$ 2 _____

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YOUR RECEIPT—PAID

From W. Kilpatrick

To 107 Kilpatrick

Cab No. 85 Driver McEwen

YOUR RECEIPT—PAID

From Madway De Luxe Cab Co.

To St. Johns St.

Cab No. 605 Driver McEwen



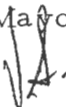
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Walter Sakai
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James R. Sitzman
Assistant Director

October 17, 1974

TO: Phil McLaurin, Mayor's Office

FROM: Vern Summers 

SUBJECT: Report on Reginald Jackson and Veloria Tate
vs. Holiday Inn, Portland

On October 14, 1974, I received a call from Reginald (Reggie) Jackson describing the abuse and unfair treatment he was receiving from management of the Holiday Inn, 10 N. Weidler Street. Mr. Jackson voiced his complaints on harassment regarding payment of the room that was registered in the name of Veloria Tate. He stated that upon his arrival, the person at the desk indicated that room charge was \$30 per night. He noticed an advertisement listing the price as \$19 per night and questioned the desk clerk about the price difference. Ms. Tate, who is employed by an airline, used her identification card which entitles airline employees to a discount with the Holiday Inn chain. The price difference was settled in the amount of \$15 per night.

I asked Mr. Jackson what his preference was for being in Portland. He indicated that he was from Berkeley, California to make arrangements with the Port of Portland for setting up a business in the Swan Island complex and estimated that his meetings would take no longer than three days. Ms. Tate stated that when ordering food through room service, they were requested to pay cash. She asked if it could be added to the total bill. The management replied, "No, they have to have cash or some type of national credit card. That is the only way they will provide services." Mr. Jackson remarked that they left the room on October 14, after checking in the day before, stating that they would be there for three days, and returned to the room about 1:00 p.m. The message light was on; Mr. Jackson was told to come down to pay his bill or he would either be put out or locked out.

I told Mr. Jackson I would call the Holiday Inn and speak to the management to try to solve the misunderstanding. I asked for the manager and was told that he was on vacation, but the assistant manager, Mr. Daniel Ring, was in charge. I asked Mr. Ring what the problem was. He immediately replied (before I had a chance to say anything) that they either had to pay or get out. I asked him if the

Holiday Inn had a running account on guests who occupy rooms in their motel. Mr. Ring said when a tab runs to \$50, their rules and regulations request them to ask for the money before the bill gets any higher. He also stated that unless proper identification such as credit cards or some other form of I. D. is presented, they cannot be assured of "getting the money." I asked Mr. Ring, "If Mr. Jackson brings a credit card or pays the money, would that be satisfactory and could they remain in their room and get proper service?" Mr. Ring replied, "Yes, that would be satisfactory." However, it seemed to him that Mr. Jackson was trying to make a racial issue out of the whole thing, and if he did not pay, he (Mr. Ring) was going to call the police. I called Mr. Jackson and advised him to make the proper arrangements as indicated by Mr. Ring so that there would be some sense of understanding. Mr. Jackson said he would do so as soon as possible.

On October 16, 1974, at 1:45 p.m., Mr. Jackson and Ms. Tate came to my office and informed me that they had followed my instructions. However, the situation had only become worse. Mr. Jackson said that he wished to pay his bill since they no longer wanted to stay at the Holiday Inn. At that point, Mr. Ring said he would not accept Mr. Jackson's check and advised him to go to a bank to have it cashed. Mr. Jackson did this, returned to the motel to pack his belongings, and found the door padlocked. Mr. Jackson and Ms. Tate went to the desk to inquire about the room being locked, since they were checking out and had the cash. Mr. Ring became belligerent, so Mr. Jackson called the police in order that he and Ms. Tate could pick up their things from the room. It is my understanding that a police report is being prepared on this matter.

In talking with Mr. Ring, his voice was most abrupt and to the point. In my estimation, Mr. Ring not only needs some training in management and how to deal with people, but he seems to have some suspicion about people of minority races.

VS:gp

COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

COMPLAINT NO. _____
(Leave Blank)

1. Your Name REGINALD LEON JACKSON Your Phone No. 845-5549
I may be reached at Phone No. 548-1763
Street Address 1230 BURNETT ST.
City BERKELEY State CALIFORNIA Zip Code 94702

2. The discrimination against me occurred in: (Please check one)
 Employment Housing Public Goods and Services Vocational, Trade or Professional School

3. I was discriminated against because of my:
 Race or Color My race and color is BLACK AMERICAN
 Religion My religion is BAPTIST
 National Origin My national origin is U. S. A.
 Sex My sex is MALE
 Marital Status My marital status is DIVORCED
 Age My age is 30

4. I was discriminated against by:
Name HOLIDAY INN, MR. DANIEL M. RING (MANAGER)
Street Address 10 NORTH WEIDLER ST.
City PORTLAND State OREGON Zip Code 97227
AND (Other Parties if any) _____

5. Explain briefly and concisely what unfair thing was done to you.
(SEE ATTACHED)

The policies and practices of the Respondent(s) I have named above have the effect of discriminating against me and others similarly situated to me (my race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex or age).

6. To the best of my knowledge the most recent date 10 14 74
on which this discrimination took place: Month Day Year

7. I swear or affirm that I have read the above complaint and that it is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Date 10-15-74 Your Signature Reginald L. Jackson
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of October 1974
Linda Baggenster 10-4-75
Notary Public My Commission Expires

to check into the Holiday Inn 12:30 am 10-12-74 for three
days. We was told one price when checking in later
we was told another price after seeing the price in
the room. When ordering meals we were told we
had to pay cash we could not charge to our room,
10-14-74 After returning to the room about 1:00 pm the
message light was on, I (Reginald L. Jackson) was told to
come down and pay bill now are we would be put out
of our room and they would lock us out. He called
very 5 min. for 45 min. I then called Administrative Assit.
to the Mayor (Mr. Mc. Laurin) who referred me to the
~~Mayor (Mr. M.)~~ to (Mr. Sommer's) who called the Motel.
I then went down and ask what was the problem he
~~stated~~ stated we just had to pay now. I offered
to pay with a check, he refused to take it. I then
showed him proper identification he would not
accept my I.D. I went to the bank to cash my check.
In returning we went to the office to tell him we
would pay and we would check out. When getting to
the room the door was locked. We then call Police.
Officer Baxter (459) and Officer Nelson (249) came to
take the report.

COMPLAINT/GRIEVANCE

Date Received July 9, 1973

Resolved _____
Unresolved _____
Referred _____
Civil Rights _____

Name: LeRoy Carter
Address: 4213 N.E. Mallory
Phone: 284-5560 Home
226-2876 Office

 City/County Public x Discrimination

Bureau _____
Dept. _____

Area _____
Basis _____

Narrative:

Mr. Carter called the MHRC office stating that he was registering a complaint against Radio Cab who refused to accept his service. He stated that he was referred to MHRC from the District Attorneys Office. Mr. Carter stated that on Saturday at 1 a.m. he hailed a cab at the corner of W. Burnside and St. Clair street and requested to be driven to his home. The driver refused to take him and in the course of the conversation he called the police and requested that Mr. Carter be removed from his cab. Mr. Carter then called the dispatcher of Radio Cab and explained the situation and the dispatcher refused to cooperate and stated that they did not take fares into that community because they were being robbed too much and besides, you people have your own cab company. "Why don't you use it?". Staff called the manager of Radio Cab, Mr. E. L. Brower, 226-7319 and gave him the information and the cab number (72). Mr. Brower stated that this was not a usual policy and he would take the matter up with the driver and also the dispatcher that was on duty. He also stated that if MHRC heard of any more complaints of this kind to please contact him immediately and he would take care of it.

Date Closed _____

By _____

REQUEST FOR SERVICE

Date Received 5/22/73

Name: George Oliveros (Referred by Comm'r McCready)

Address: 2623 N.E. 24th

Phone: 287-4548

Type of Problem Intergroup conflict Form of Assistance Conciliation

Narrative: Mr. Olivero's complaint was that a restaurant was flying the Philippine flag as a decoration. It was his feeling, and that of others of Philippino descent, that this was not proper.

Contacted Mr. Al Greenberg, owner of Pacino's Black Knight, and relayed Mr. Olivero's concerns. The flag was subsequently removed. Mr. Greenberg said he was "surprised" that the flag would be offensive. He was not particularly reluctant to remove it.

Date Closed 6/6/73

By Kal

COMPLAINT/GRIEVANCE

Public Accomod.

Date Received 1/31/73

Resolved _____
Unresolved _____
Referred x _____
Civil Rights _____

Name: William D. Farmer
Address: 15121 S.E. Division
Phone: 760-3204

x City/County

_____ Discrimination

Bureau Traffic Engineer
Dept. _____

Area _____
Basis _____

Narrative: SEE ATTACHMENTS

Date Closed Feb 11

By Kal

February 14, 1973

Mr. William D: Farmer
15121 S. E. Division
Portland, Oregon 97236

Dear Mr. Farmer:

Because of your visit to our office last month I thought you might have interest in the marked portion of the attached Oregonian article.

Also, in regard to your concern, I have received a copy of a memo from Mayor Goldschmidt to the Traffic Engineer requesting information on the problems involved, and the Traffic Engineer's policies on parking for the handicapped.

Should I receive any further information on this matter I will forward it to you.

Please feel free to call on us at any time.

Sincerely,

Kalman C. Szekely
Human Relations Representative

KCS.gj
Attachment

February 2, 1973

Kalman Szekely, Human Relations
Department of Finance and Administration
Mayor Neil Goldschmidt
Parking for Handicapped Persons

Mr. William D. Farmer, 15121 S. E. Division, Portland,
visited our office this week with the following concern:

Mr. Farmer is a student at Portland State University and handicapped to the extent that he is confined to a wheelchair. He was cited and fined last month for parking his car in a "Cycles Only" zone. He maintains that the zone was not clearly marked (although it has been since) and that he noticed the sign on the meter stand only after he had deposited his money. However, Mr. Farmer's main concern is that there is not sufficient, convenient parking around the city for handicapped persons. Like other wheelchair confined drivers, Mr. Farmer must exit his car on the passenger side and on to the sidewalk. Since this demands parking always on the right side it cuts his chances of finding a suitable parking spot by fifty percent right away. This, combined with the necessity of finding a place relatively near his destination, makes parking a somewhat formidable task for him and others who share his situation.

This memorandum is addressed to you in response to Mr. Farmer's request that we relay this information and ask that your office consider the possibility of reserving more parking space for handicapped persons at strategic points around the city.

Sincerely,

Kalman C. Szekely
Human Relations Representative

KS:gj
c. c. Mr. Farmer

October 17, 1972

Vernon Summers

Public Safety

Phyllis

Dear Phyllis: . .

This is in reference to correspondence from Mayor Schrunk concerning Bobby Moore's dance hall, Council Calendar # 2570.

Staff has tried to contact Bobby Moore in reference to his appeal for his license. We have found that Mr. Moore is out of the city and his place of business has been closed for about two to four weeks and that no further investigation is required.

Very truly yours,

Vernon Summers
Director MHRC

VS.gj
Enclosures

September 8, 1972

Vernon Summers, MHRC

Public Safety

Commissioner Neil Goldschmidt

Report on Bobby J. Moore (Bump City)

Dear Neil:

Upon our investigation it was discovered that Mr. Moore does have an amusement devices permit, restaurant license as required. He is presently operating his business in every legal way possible according to law.

Hours and days of the week of his operation, Bump City will be open according to curfew laws of the city.

Our office has visited this establishment several times in the past weekends, plus have made numerous trips by to observe traffic noise and crowd which we found to be under control. We hope that this report will give the Council the necessary information for a positive decision.

Yours very truly,

Vernon Summers

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Attachment

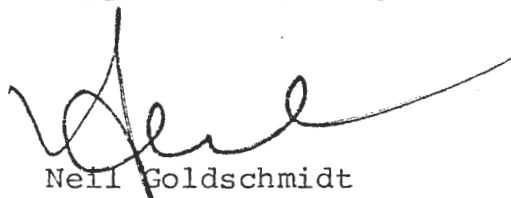
INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

(NOT FOR MAILING)

February 5, 1973

From Neil Goldschmidt
To Traffic Engineering
Addressed to Don Bergstrom
Subject Attached Memo regarding Parking for Handicapped Persons

You may want to contact Mr. Farmer and explain our policy to him and the problem involved. I would also appreciate receiving a copy of our policy on this subject.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil Goldschmidt', written in a cursive style.

Neil Goldschmidt

NG.r.jb

cc: Kal Szekely

2570 Communication from Bobby Moore and Sherman Jackson appealing to the City Council denial of a dance hall license.

MRS. BENITA DUKE:

I am in opposition to this dance hall license. Can I have a chance to speak at this time?

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Well, I will let you speak. I think we would follow the same procedure as on the previous one and refer it to Finance and Administration for a report. If you want to make a preliminary statement at this time, I will recognize you.

MRS. DUKE, 5035 N. E. 10TH AVENUE:

This Bump City, as it is called, is located at 10th and Alberta. It's right up the corner from me in what used to be a grocery store and then later on a restaurant place.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

Excuse me, is this the Bar-B-Que place that went under.

MRS. DUKE:

Yes, it used to be the Bar-B-Que place and now it is Bump City and here is one of their posters that was illegally posted on a telephone pole.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

Now, you are in opposition to this application?

MRS. DUKE:

Yes, Commissioner Anderson, I am.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

This is a communication from Bobby Moore and Sherman Jackson appealing to the City Council the denial of a dance hall license. The permit was denied....

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

What apparently happened is that it was denied, and Moore was not given a chance to appeal. This is the one where he showed up, a very large fellow, showed up in the Council Chamber not long ago. Police-Community Relations had told him he should show up here and I think George, you made arrangements for him to file an appeal in writing with the expectation that it would be referred to Finance and Administration and a hearing would be set to give him a chance to appeal it.

MR. GEORGE YERKOVICH, CITY AUDITOR:

The Mayor was under the impression that he had filed his letter with the License Bureau, which he did not do at the time. That was a week ago.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Is this appeal before us now or does this still require a report from Finance and Administration.

MR. YERKOVICH:

It came in as a communication and that was the way it was put on.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

So I think on that basis, Mrs. Duke, we'll have to set a date on the hearing of this matter.

MRS. DUKE:

Commissioner Ivancie, might I ask you this. While this situation is still pending, so to speak, the appeal of his denial of a license, is he permitted to operate? Now, we've been awake until 4:30 in the morning. If he's permitted to operate right now, I believe the billiard tables are open, the door is open there, the juke box, or whatever they call it in these days, I don't know what it is called, is blaring. We can't get any rest.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Let me check with the license bureau and see when this permit---as far as the time running out.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

Could I make an inquiry of the City Attorney?

We have before us the denial of a dance hall license. They could be operating billiard tables and other things under other licenses, could they not, during this period of time.

MISS RUSHING:

Certainly. That's quite true.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

Or a restaurant license or whatever it is.

MISS RUSHING:

Any license that is presently outstanding can be continued without a problem merely from the denial of a dance hall license.

MRS. DUKE:

Might I ask the Council, if the granting of a restaurant license permits them to open for billiards in the afternoon and stay open until 4:30 in the morning with no evidence of food.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Let me check with the License Director, Mrs. Duke, and then we'll go on from there.

MR. BYRON BROCKSEN, ACTING LICENSE DIRECTOR:

They applied for a restaurant license and a dance registration license.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Could you tell us what licenses these people have at this juncture.

MR. BROCKSEN:

At the present time, there is a restaurant license being processed. They have a provisional license to operate the restaurant.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

They have a provisional license to operate the restaurant.

MR. BROCKSEN:

That's right, with the provision that no dancing is allowed because their dance registration was refused by the Police. They have not made application for pool tables there which are now classified as amusement devices. We were not aware of these.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Did they ever have a license there for dancing?

MR. BROCKSEN:
No. It's a new outlet for dancing.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
And they have no license for amusement devices.

MR. BROCKSEN:
They have no license for amusement devices.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Only a restaurant license.

MR. BROCKSEN:
Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Thank you.

MRS. DUKE:

As I said before, this opening sign of theirs that was illegally posted on a telephone poles through Williams Avenue, Vancouver Avenue and Union Avenue, down in the lower part of the Avenue and as you see it says, August 17th, which was a Thursday, 18th, 19th and 20th, Music, Soul Syndicate, whatever that is, Food, and Pool Hall, Do Your Thing. Now if that sounds like a restaurant, I don't know what a restaurant is any longer. Thank you.

At this time, Commissioner McCready entered the Council Chamber and took her place.

MR. SHERMAN JACKSON, 2707 N. E. 9TH AVENUE:

This lady here, before we even opened up, she told us how she closed up the other store. There used to be a store there. Everybody on the block came and told us if it would be anybody, it would be her. Like the police officers that came there and they said that they had a complaint and they said when they came there they don't hear no music outside the door. We serve food. We have hamburgers, hot dogs and Bar-B-Que Chicken. We close up on weekdays from Sunday to Wednesday night at 1:00 P.M. You see, I'm the only one that runs it. I work at Crown-Zellerback in Camas, Washington, and I've got to be at work at 7:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Are you one of the applicants on this license?

MR. JACKSON:
Yes, I'm Sherman Jackson.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Do you realize that at this time you are in violation of the License Code of this City by having amusement devices?

MR. JACKSON:
We have music. You can have music but you can't have no dancing.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
What about pool tables?

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MR. JACKSON:
Pool tables we have.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Well, see that's classified....

MR. JACKSON:
This is what it is, see, I've been in the penitentiary for three years and I gets out and I'm trying to do good. I'm working and stuff and this lady here---now, I tried to explain it to her....

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
Mr. Jackson, the problem is that we don't have a report in front of us today. Mr. Moore came in here a week or two ago and indicated he wanted to appeal and there had been some foul up in the paper work. We need a report from somebody who goes out there and checks first hand. I haven't been outside your restaurant. I drive by there periodically. In fact, it's been long enough that I didn't even know that you had opened. You have pool tables. You are presently in violation of the City code because you don't have a permit to have them. I'm not saying....

MR. JACKSON:
We have a permit to have them because we bought them from this company that has a license to put them in for us. The lady there just don't want anybody in the area.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Well, that's another issue that we have to get into.

MISS RUSHING:
If there is a requirement for a license to have the pool table on the premises and no such license has been obtained, then upon the proof of this and the showing of it, the Council would have a basis for revoking what licenses already are there and it would also be a ground for refusing a permanent license for the restaurant. So, I suggest, Mr. President, that Mr. Jackson speak to the license bureau and straighten out the matter of the various licenses.

MR. JACKSON:
OK, we'll get that straight, but what it is, this lady here is going to give us trouble and will continue to give us trouble and I'm trying to make it. I'm trying to do this to keep from messing up. I'm working in the day. She says we had the pool hall open at twelve. Now, Bobby Moore here, he sells candy and he be in California. He took this day off and I took the day off. I work at Crown-Zellerback from 8 to 4:30 p.m., so the place won't be open until 6:00 and I got to clean the place up myself. We stay open til 12:00 because I got to go to work in the morning. So this lady here, I don't know what she's talking about.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Well, sir, what we have to do now as a matter of procedure, is refer this communication to the license bureau for a report to the Council. It will appear on the Council Calendar at a future date and then we will make a decision what we are going to do.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

I just want to get one other thing clear for the record. They have a restaurant license.

MISS RUSHING:

A provisional license.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

That's right, a provisional license. They have an application for a dance hall license and they have no application for amusement devices but they should file one so when they leave here today, if they want to have amusement devices, they should ask for a permit to have them.

MISS RUSHING:

They'll have to be licensed if they are going to have them at all.

MR. JACKSON:

What it is, they've got Mr. B's over there, you know, that new club....

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

Excuse me, sir, could you talk into the microphone. I can't hear you.

MR. JACKSON:

We're trying to start something for the blacks, the young blacks, so they will have somewhere to go instead of standing out on the streets and shooting craps.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

Oh, that's great. We understand that but that doesn't have anything to do with what we are talking about right now.

MR. JACKSON:

This is what I'm trying to say. This is what the place is for.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

I read your letter; we all read your letter. We understand that and appreciate it. He's telling you the procedure you have to follow to appeal it. It doesn't have anything to do with what you're trying to do.

MR. JACKSON:

The police won't give me nothing because they said I've been locked up before. If a black man has been locked up, they don't want to give him any kind of a chance to try to start over again.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

We don't have a police report or a license report.

MR. JACKSON:

Well, that's what they said; you said it yourself.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

I didn't say that.

MR. JACKSON:

You said the police won't give us no dance license.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

I didn't say that.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
We said we could not hear the case....

MR. JACKSON:
Let's put it this way, they refused our license.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
They can't grant you one until we have a hearing, that's the situation now.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
We make the final decision. They may made a recommendation, Mr. Jackson, but I think what you have to do now is go to the license bureau and work with them on the application for a dancing license and also for an amusement license. In the meantime the restaurant license is on a provisional basis. You can operate your restaurant but you can't do anything else there.

MR. JACKSON:
Her daughter comes up to our club. I don't know what this old lady here is talking about.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
Well, that will come up when the report comes back to the Council, then you will have an opportunity to state your case when we get an official report from the license bureau and also the police bureau.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
Miss Rushing. It is possible for them to continue to operate the juke box as a part of the provisional restaurant license. Is that correct? That is, just have music on the premises as long as there is no dancing?

MISS RUSHING:
My recollection is that there is a requirement for a license for the juke box also.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
So that would be like the pool tables, then.

MISS RUSHING:
There is no problem in regard to a special license like a dance hall license where there were special requirements of a police recommendation and so on, but there is a requirement for a license, if I remember correctly, for having an amusement device of that type. The same thing is true under a different license for the pool tables and the letter here appears to be an appeal from the denial and should be referred, I would think Mr. President, to the License Division for a report and at that time the hearing on the appeal should be fixed by the Auditor.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
The point I wanted to make is that I think Mr. Moore and Mr. Jackson need to sit down with the License Division and tell them everything they want to have in the place, and what they do have, so that when we get this back Mr. Jackson we are not going to end up having more matters hanging over that you have never asked for a permit for.

MR. MOORE:

Can I say something, please.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

Before you do, sir, I want to make a comment on a statement that the gentleman made just prior to you. It is absolutely untrue that a black man with a record isn't going to get a permit, neither is the fact that he is a black man and he has a record automatically entitles him to a permit. We have had over and over and over people before us we have given licenses but a great deal of this depends on the attitude of the individual, black or white. Many white men who have had records have been denied. Many white men with records have been granted. The same goes for black. I want to get that clear in the record.

MR. BOBBY MOORE, 1011 N. E. ALBERTA:

All I want to say is this. When we applied for our license at City Hall, we told the gentleman that we would have a restaurant and live music until we are granted a dance permit. There has been no dancing in our place of business. You understand. Any of you people are allowed to come through there anytime you feel free. If you hear music playing, there is no dancing going on because we've specifically stated to the people that come there that there is to be no dancing until we are permitted our license.

Number one, I want to state this very clear to you people. You people are going to have to slacken up in our area and give our youngsters a chance over there because your police department swarms through there they break them a loose, they tell them to get away, go home. These kids are seventeen and eighteen years old. They don't go to bed at 10:00 P.M. anymore, you know. I understand you people don't go over there in the area in which we do live in it. We understand, we know how the area is being ran, is what I'm saying. We are not trying to cause this woman any trouble. We are just two individuals trying to make a goal for ourselves in life, you understand. We are not there to destroy her home. Everyday we pick up paper in front of that place. We clean the lot. We keep the place thoroughly clean. You understand what I'm saying.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

I understand what you're saying very perfectly. I came in late. I'm sorry I missed the lady's testimony. All I'm saying is that you are not automatically entitled to ~~have~~ provide the particular service that may or may not be needed there. All you have to do is go through the legal channels, is what these fellows are telling you, that anyone else does, and the fact that there is a need for something for the juveniles I agree but it is not necessarily your right or your privilege to do it. You have to apply the same way as someone else, that's all.

MR. MOORE:

City Hall told us that we could have live music in our restaurant.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

I don't know anything about this.

MR. MOORE:

He said this was not against the law for us to have live entertainment in our restaurant. This is what we are having, live music being played.

MRS. DUKE:

Until 4:30 in the morning.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Well, sir....

MR. MOORE:

Hey man, I'm going to tell you something right now, man. Number one, man, I don't care how you people take to me and my friend here but understand one thing, man, you know, you people don't want us to have our place, you know, she don't want us to have it. If you don't want it in that area, why don't you people on the City Council, donate us some money and get us a building so we can have a place. You know this is money we put out of our pockets into this joint, you know, and we don't come down here to have our backs stabbed or have our joint closed down because she can't get her sleep at night. She shouldn't even be in the area, man, if she doesn't care to be around her own people.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

You're going to be treated like anyone else. There is a procedure you have to follow....

MR. MOORE:

I understand. I willing to pay for our licenses but understand, man, before we even opened the doors this woman was right there telling us if this was not the way she wants it, she is going to be against it all the way.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

Mr. Moore. Mrs. Duke doesn't have a vote on the City Council.

MR. MOORE:

She works downtown in the police department; that's good enough.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:

It doesn't have a vote, and if you want to follow the procedures, this Council will hear the appeal and vote.

MR. MOORE:

Yeah, I want to follow it, man.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

All right, go to the license bureau and work with the license director and then this will come back to the Council and we will make a decision.

MR. MOORE:

I want to get something straight so we won't be in violation of your City ordinance. We have a restaurant, man, we operate and music. Can we do this or do you people say that we cannot do it.

MISS RUSHING:

I don't remember any provisions in regard to the restaurant license as to live music except in the liquor regulations.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Do you have any beer or wine there.

MR. MOORE:

There is no beer or wine on the premises. The restaurant is open to the general public.

MISS RUSHING:

The live music is not forbidden as such and there is no license required for it to my recollection.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

Is it your opinion then, that live music is allowed on the premises now?

MISS RUSHING:

That's my recollection of our code. I don't think we have any prohibition against it.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

All right, in other words, live music is allowed now on the premises and you can continue with that. Now, added to that is your need, as indicated, for a license for pool tables.

MR. JACKSON:

Juke box too.

MISS RUSHING:

Juke box requires a license. Pool table is a different license but also a license.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

I want to understand that a license has now been issued for them for a restaurant. That license allows live music now with no additional permit.

MISS RUSHING:

I believe that is correct, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

If they want to play pool, if they want to have other activities in there besides that, such as a juke box, you need an additional license through the license bureau.

MISS RUSHING:

The provisional license is only while it is checked out as to the various requirements of the code in regard to hot water and all the usual facilities for restaurants.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

All right, now, as a matter of information in the place where food is allowed to be served in a restaurant, are there any hours of restriction on that restaurant as to when it can be open?

MR. BROCKSEN:

Not in the license code, Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

In other words, the restaurant could be open all night if it wished.

MR. BROCKSEN:

That's right. I believe that probably the confliction here would be against the noise ordinance in the police code.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:

In other words, if they are operating live music in there, there may be police restrictions on when that live music can continue because it's likely disturbing the neighborhood.

MR. BROCKSEN:
That's correct.

MISS RUSHING:
Only if it is audible outside of the premises.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
So if it is audible outside and I would presume the police would determine this....

MISS RUSHING:
And whether or not there is sufficient noise to come within the basis of prosecution. The police can make an arrest for it if they found it going on, but they would arrest the proprietor of the restaurant only if it comes from the restaurant, not for something which occurs out in the public street.

MRS. DUKE:
May I say one more word, please.

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:
All right, Mrs. Duke.

MRS. DUKE:
The police ordinance on that is if the noise can be heard fifty feet from the point of inception. I believe their building sits back about forty feet. I am down two forty foot lots, frontage lots, from there. I have to close my doors and drapes and everything else to keep the noise out. As far as the sanitation code is concerned on restaurants, the doors must be kept closed, which they do not unless they have a dust or fly protection in front of them, and they do not.

MR. JACKSON:
Yes, we do.

COMMISSIONER ANDERSON:
I wonder whether they sort of controversy, which, frankly, I don't think this Council can make a decision on today, requires the kind of investigation procedure that a license would normally have plus the other investigations the police would make. I take it from what you said earlier, then, that what you are going to do now is go to the license bureau and request the other licenses that are needed in order for you to do what you are after.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
We're now in a situation where a pool table is not permitted without a license and the juke box is not permitted without a license and if Mrs. Duke has a complaint about the live music being too loud, she should call the police and the police can come out and check it under the police code.

MR. JACKSON:
They do but they say they don't hear it.

COMMISSIONER GOLDSCHMIDT:
I don't want to get into a debate about. That's exactly where we are. You guys get your licenses.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

Sir, we want the police report on that. That's what they were asking about. We can't take your word or his word, we have to have first hand words. So what she says or what you say doesn't have any bearing on how we are going to make our decision. We need the police report---they were called to such and such, this did happen or it did not happen. May I remind you that the application for licenses, a great deal of it depends on the attitude of the applicant and I'm really disturbed at your attitude at this point.

MR. JACKSON:

My attitude?

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

Yeah.

MR. JACKSON:

There's nothing wrong with my attitude.

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

There's a lot wrong with your attitude, sir, and I think that if you would follow the channels that the Commissioners are describing and go the regular route instead of saying a black man with a record never gets a chance. A black man with a record does.

MR. JACKSON:

I'm not trying to use that for me to get something. What I'm saying is that this is what the police told me, you know, this is exactly what they said---the chief said my record was so bad....

COMMISSIONER IVANCIE:

Mr. Jackson, go to the....

MR. JACKSON:

Like she said, the first night we was too, like the music was too loud, I admit that....

COMMISSIONER MC CREADY:

Look, sir, I didn't hear her testimony, I was late. That was my fault. I'm saying now let's not talk about now. Let's apply for your licenses and then we will have the hearing and we will have people either substantiating what you are saying or denying it, that's all.

By unanimous consent, the above communication was referred to the Commissioner of Finance and Administration.

The Auditor was further directed to notify the remonstrators against the license when the hearing is set.

Vern Summers / Gus Taylor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron
RE: Rose City Cab

FROM: Phyllis
DATE: 7/8/71

My interview with Mr. Curry, Sec./Treasurer and Operations man for Rose City Cab was very interesting to say the least. According to Mr. Curry the company is about one year and four months old. They have eleven cabs and two different shifts. 8 to 6 and 6 to 2:30a.m. The average age of each driver is about 25 years of age.

Training consist of 16 to 24 hours of actual driving with a member of the company; (mostly depends on the knowledge one has of the city; if the applicant is a resident of Portland, Oregon, most of his time would be spent on learning the setting and reading of the meter and understanding radio calls.

A driver receives 50% of what he makes. And the average driver earns anywhere between 80 and 100 dollars a week.

The company motto is courtesy....walking old ladies to and from the house especially at night, opening the door at all times etc...

Handicapped, Welfare Recipients, Senior Citizens etc. all receive a cut rate of 10% on all fares. These people are issued a card by Rose City.

Rose City has been robbed 5 times. ~~xxxxxx~~

Rose City is not union and will not join the union until they receive equal rights. Which is one the major complaints. To join the union it cost somewhere around 35.00 initial fee and about 7.50 monthly. (~~xxx~~ he says there is some question about this because he is not sure of the exacts ~~xxxxxx~~ fees.

Complaints"

Can not get insurance in Oregon. (they are not insured out of Omaha Nebraska at a rate of 18,000 a year. This is for 11 cars and it is only liability and property.

Rose City does not get equal rights in the city. They are not allowed to work certain spots. Yet they are paying a certain percentage for city stands.

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MATT DISHMAN COMMUNITY CENTER

On Thursday, June 10, 1971 I made arrangements with Mr. Glen Williams, director of the Matt Dishman Community Center to reserve the use of the Center's auditorium for June 10 & 11 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to rehearse a group of girls for the Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade. When I arrived with my group on the evening of June 11th the auditorium was already being used by a group that had been admitted by Mr. George Bingeman and who planned to use the facility during the time which had been assigned to me. Mr. Williams was not available at the time to help resolve the situation and I was informed by Mr. Bingeman that it would be 8:00 p.m. before the auditorium would be available for use by my group. The Center, however, closes at 8:00 p.m.

We feel that we were denied use of the facility, even though we had a reservation, because of preferential treatment afforded a group of friends of the Center's administration.

Mrs. Dorothy Bryant

Month JULY Year 1971

CITY OF PORTLAND TAXI CAB ZONE SCHEDULE

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J-19, 20	Hoyt Hotel	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-4, 5	Benson Hotel	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-22	Elk's Temple	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-21	Barbary Coast	R	C	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-26	Lloyd Center	R	B	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-10, 11	Greyhound	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-27	Americana Motel	R	B	R	B	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-16	Georgia Pacific	R	B	R	B	R	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B				
J-15	Dublin House (Georgia Pacific)	R	B	R	B	R	B	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B					
J-1, 2	Multnomah Building	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R		
J-7	Park Hotel	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R		
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J-29	Hyatt House	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R
J-12, 13, 17	Hilton Hotel	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	
J-18	Union Depot	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	C	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R
J-23	Riverside West	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R
J-8	New Heathman Hotel	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R
J-9	Congress Hotel	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R
J-3, 6	Imperial Hotel	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	R	B	B	R	B	R	B	B	R

Way - R = Radio - C = Rose

June 7, 1971

Public Accommodation Complaint

Name: Raymond Joacnim
4778 SE Woodstock
774-8010

Situation: Mr. Joacnim is the father of some boys who went to the Playhaven swimming pool (7485 SE 112th) to swim. Mr. Joacnim stated that his older boys are around 14 years old and were told that they could not use the pool. The boys indicated that they had not done anything that they knew of to cause this refusal. He then went down to the pool with the boys to speak to the owner and manager, who was not in at the time, but his son was (who has long hair) to find out if his boys had done anything to cause them to refuse their admittance. He was told that they didn't have to do anything, they decide themselves who they are going to let in. There was foul and obscene language used in talking to him which was in front of the children. The father was very upset at this and talked to a woman who worked there and she stated that there was nothing wrong that the boys had done. Mr. Joacnim called this office feeling that something should be done about people who use obscene language in front of children and can not understand why a public place licensed for swimming does not allow anybody in who has never caused a problem or been of any difficulty.

The matter will be taken up with the License Bureau.

RP.gj

Mr Russ Peyton

June '71

I am writing about the treatment my children and I got at Play Haven Swimming Pool. It all started when our neighbor took her two children and our three children to Play Haven. The oldest boys came back home and I asked them why they came back so soon and they told me because the man that owns the pool told them he was not going to let them in as he didn't like their looks and that he knew they were trouble makers. I asked the boys if they had done anything wrong and if they did, I wanted to know what. They both said they had done nothing wrong, so I took them back to the pool to see why they were told to leave. When I got there the man who owns the pool wasn't there, so I asked the lady at the desk if she knew where he was because I would like to find out what happened. She said she would call the owner's son in from the pool and have him get his dad. The boy came out and asked me what I wanted. I told him I wanted to talk to his dad and find out why the boys were not permitted to go swimming. He said he understood the boys had given his dad some lip and had given the girl at the desk some trouble. She had been on duty earlier and was the daughter of the woman at the desk. The boys said they had not caused any trouble and asked the lady if she remembered them. She did remember and said she saw them do nothing wrong. The owner's son asked me if I believed the boys and I said yes. This is when he called me a F---head and walked off. The lady at the desk told him that was no way to talk, but he went back to the pool, then he came back and told me to just get off the property and go talk to his dad. Well, I thought if the boy talks and acts this way, I didn't think I should talk to his dad face to face as I didn't want to have any more trouble than I had at the time. I then went home and called Mr. Wilcox, the owner, and asked him about the boys and the trouble at the pool and he said the boys had given him trouble. I asked him if this was before or after he told them to leave. He said it was after and asked me what my trouble was. I told him what happened at the pool between his son and me and he said he knew nothing about it, but would talk to his son and I should clean up my back yard before I tried to clean up some one else's. I asked what he meant by that and he said the boys used abusive language to him when they left so I asked my boys what they said and they told me all they said was, they wished they

were big and strong so they could throw kids out of swimming pools. I waited till the other children got home and asked them what they knew about all this and they said that they were right there and the boys didn't do any thing wrong. The other three children SAID they ask the owner ~~what~~ why he wouldn't let the boys in, because they hadn't done anything wrong, and they were their brothers. They said that the owner told them if they didn't like it that they could go down the road too. The boys asked the owner why they couldn't go in and they said he told them he didn't have to give them a reason.

I beleive with what the lady told me and the other children told me, I believe that the owner and his boy were wrong to treat us this way, and I also believe that if the boy will talk to an adult the way he talked to me, what kind of language will he use in front of the children that swim there.

Thank you,

Raymond Joachim
9602 SE 80th
Portland Ore 97222

Public Acc. Comp.

Dr Bank
Silence for Portland's Future - school

Play Haven 761-4084 owner: Mr. Wilcox (Juni school)

7485 SE 112th - see if an license by city

complaint re manager and/or on my feet language to parents
of young people - w/ license bureau.

May 19, 1971

Public Accommodation

Received a telephone call from Michael Gabner from YMCA (RAP Center), complaining about a Trailways Bus Station's refusal to sell him a ticket.

This incident happened on Saturday May 15th around 1:45 p.m. Mr. Gabner's statement was that he and a friend by the name of Bert Lolley, a social worker, walked through the rear of the Trailways Bus Station. They were told by management that people are not to walk in back of stations, it is for buses only. Mr. Gabner and his friend wandered around the station looking at television and other things, trying to decide where they wanted to go. One of the persons that seemed to be in charge of the Station along with Mr. Sanders came over and told them that they would have to leave. Mr. Gabner and his friend left the station, but later returned.

Management again asked them if they were not going to take a bus to any destination they were going to have to leave the Station. Mr. Gabner then spoke up and said "I would like the cheapest ticket you have". The ticket agent replied that the cheapest ticket we have is 55¢. Then Mr. Gabner said that he would like that ticket. The agent then said "I cannot sell you a ticket without any destination and we do not have the necessary information here". Mr. Gabner said "Well, sell us a ticket to Seattle, Washington". The ticket agent said "We are all filled up for a week". Mr. Gabner then replied "I don't believe you and I would like to see your reservation list". The ticket agent said "I don't have to show it to you and I don't have to sell you a ticket if I don't want to". The ticket agent again replied "We can refuse to sell to anyone if we decide that we don't want to sell them a ticket". Mr. Gabner told him that "That is discrimination, and you act as if Portland was some city in the southern part of the U.S.". The ticket agent said "It is the same, no difference". Mr. Gabner then insisted that they sell him a ticket and that he had the money to pay for it".

Management then said "I don't care if you have \$1,000 in your pocket, we can refuse to sell you a ticket if we want to". Then Mr. Gabner replied "Well you will have to call the police before I will leave the Station". So the management called the police.

The officers arrived and told Mr. Gabner that he would have to leave the premises, whether they sell him a ticket or not. The management then told the police "You better search him, he has a gun". The officers searched Mr. Gabner and told him to leave the premises and escorted him off the premises.

November 20, 1970

Mr. John Gustafson
State Office Building
1400 SW 5th
Portland, Oregon

Dear John:

Pursuant to the verbal complaint, police report and picture which I delivered to you the morning of November 19th, I wish to make a formal written complaint on the unlawful practice discovered earlier today at Frank's Tavern on Southwest 2nd and Salmon. We believe that the posting of this notice is in direct violation of Oregon State law and should be addressed by responsible State officials.

I respectfully request that your office take necessary action to enforce the State laws.

Sincerely,

Russell Peyton

RP. gj

November 20, 1970

Mr. Russell Roger's
State Office Building
1400 SW 5th
Portland, Oregon

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Russell Peyton

RP.gj

July 23, 1970

Abernethy Lunch Program

Name: Dr. Grossman (223-2018)

Situation: Dr. Grossman called to inform this office of the recent suspension of the summer lunch program at Abernethy school. He indicated that a Mr. Al Lucas had an instrumental role in the program at Abernethy and was responsible for closing down the lunch program. Dr. Grossman offered the name of Miss Smalley at school district no. 1 as a contact person to investigate the situation.

Action: I visited the office of Miss Smalley and spoke at length with Mrs. Elonka, the person directly in charge of the summer lunch program. Mrs. Elonka elaborated on a conflict at Abernethy between Mr. Lucas (chairman of the local PTA) and the PACT organization, who was providing a recreation program under the leadership of Mike Elston. It was out of this conflict that Mr. Lucas, after consultation with Mrs. Elonka, temporarily suspended the lunch program. The primary reason for this action was excessive waste of food because of inaccurate count and failure of students to eat the quantity of food provided. Mrs. Elonka noted that the program had been restarted two days earlier and seemed to be functioning well at this time. A later conversation by phone with Mike Elston confirmed the above information. I returned Dr. Grossman's call informing him that the program was going again. He indicated pleasure over this fact and thanked us for our effort.

JS. gj

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CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
BUREAU OF POLICE
OFFICER'S REPORTNo. 70- *Misa*

SUBJECT _____

TIME _____

CAPTAIN Vern Summers, Ass. Director of Human Relations Commission, was shown the sign and advised of the situation. C.E., 19 _____

re: Malicious Note

Location: Central Presbyterian Church
3212 SE Ankeny

(Body of note) This is a church for white people, get the Niggers out. Let them stay in Albina where they belong. I told them to take care of their own kids. We do not want them in this neighborhood.)

I contacted Central Presbyterian Church ~~Administrative~~ ^{administrative} secretary, MRS. H. M. ANUNDSON, phone number 232-9129.
M.Suspect: RALPH J. ~~KE~~ KEFFIELD, home address 35 NE 32nd, Portland, Oregon
wma approx 70 years oldNote posted on the 32nd ~~st~~ street side of the Church between June 23, 1970 10 p.m. to 6/24/70 at 6 A.M.Body of report

SIR: On 6/30/70 did follow up work re report by Officer G. L. Alexander #681 working East Prec, Night Relief re a note which he removed from the Central Presbyterian Church located at 3212 SE Ankeny. Went to this location and I contacted the administrative secretary, MRS. H. M. ANUNDSON ~~secretary~~ re the note. She stated that the Presbyterian Church had started day school program approx a year to a year and a half ago and that one of the rules for the day school was to have a certain percentile of minority people involved. When the day school was started the ~~suspect~~ suspect MR. RALPH J. KEFFIELD became highly enraged at the possibility that the Church may be bringing black people into their ~~congregation~~ congregation and therefore ~~quit~~ quit. MRS. ANUNDSON further states that periodically they have been getting notes, pamphlets placed anonymously in their mailbox. She states that one of the brochures which were placed in the mailbox she found the suspect's name on the mailing part of it, believes he placed it in there before scratching out his own name ~~which~~. She states that MR. KEFFIELD was ~~an~~ an extremely old man, possibly getting senile believes that he could possibly be the one who left the note. She further stated that if any other notes were found she would immediately call the Police Dept. No further information at this time.

~~Record~~ Record check shows this subject has one card, 1968 as being a complainant. No further information at this time.

REGP:

C. E. BANTENBEIN #213
PCR Unit / Days

5:13 p.m. 7/3/70 sld

June 12, 1970

Public Accommodation Complaint from Mike Guy (775-4522).

Mr. Guy's complaint concerned an attempt by himself and friends to pay for and use the services of a pitch and putt golf course on McGloughlin Avenue. The worker representing the course responded "we don't allow gypsies in our place" (paraphrase). Mr. Guy wanted to know what he could do to correct this act of discrimination.

Contact was made on behalf of Mr. Guy with Amelia Stiggers in the State Civil Rights Division office. Later Mr. Guy was advised ~~to~~ telephone to contact Mrs. Stiggers and make a formal complaint.

JS.gj

Particular attention was given to certain remarks attributed to Rev. Grace, and all agreed they were taken out of context. It was generally agreed that Rev. Grace gave considerable emphasis on the role humor could play in attempting to break down barriers of communication. For instance, there was the story of the church taking all their money and having a huge blast. During the seminar sessions, after citing a number of examples of how humor could play its part, he requested others including Mr. Walter Morris to express similar instances of the use of humor and the ridiculousness of a situation to help break down barriers of communication.

Investigation would indicate that there could not have been any connection between these seminars and the difficulty that arose at Roosevelt High School.

The Metropolitan Human Relations Commission has been assured by the people who attended the seminars that there was nothing that they could interpret as being anything other than completely committed to the Democratic process in solving social problems.

3/11/70

B. B. BOUNEFF
ATTORNEY AT LAW
4936 N.E. UNION AVENUE
PORTLAND, OREGON 97211

November 25, 1969

Mr. C. N. Christiansen, Director
Bureau of Buildings
Room 403 City Hall
City of Portland
Portland, Oregon 97204

Attention: Mr. C. C. Crank, Chief Building Inspector

Dear Mr. Crank:

Re: 4855 N.E. Union Avenue
Minerva Wallace or H. N. Francis and
Lyle R. Baker

In response to your letter of October 8, 1969, concerning the above indicated premises, enclosed please find photo copies of estimates received from Campbell-Norquist and Neil Kelly Co. regarding the repair of the subject premises.

These premises were seriously damaged in the amounts indicated some time previous to the inspection by your office and demand has been made upon the organization or incorporation which we deem to be responsible for the damage referred to in the estimates.

This matter and the damage accomplished was reported to the police and is being investigated. I understand that Mr. Baker has had conversation with a City Police office, Officer Yokum, and that it is presently being investigated by the Police Department, and had conversation with Mr. Baker, my client, and also demand has been made upon, as I stated above, the corporation felt by us to be liable for the damage to the premises and that this is all in a present state of flux.

Mr. Baker has attempted to secure the building so that it will not be, of course, subject to vandalism or further destruction. But because of the investigation being conducted and, also, because of the present attempt to settle a matter which will give

Mr. C. N. Christiansen, Director
Bureau of Buildings
City of Portland
Attn: Mr. C.C. Crank,
Chief Building Inspector

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rise to possible litigation. It is a situation wherein for the next few weeks the building should be, if possible, left in the present state as an item of evidence and until the insurance company representing the other party has had an opportunity to view the premises in its present state.

Because of this controversy we, of course, request an extension of time from the 30 days given in the letter to secure the necessary permits to repair the building and bring it into compliance with applicable codes and regulations of the City of Portland.

If further information is desired or if the matter is going to proceed in your office, I would appreciate your sending to me or advising me as to the procedures to present the situation and all the facts to you surrounding the condition of this building in your request for additional time within which to comply with the requirements of your letter based upon your examination.

Yours very truly,

B. B. Bouneff

BBB:fu

Enclosures

cc: Russ ~~Peyton~~, Director City Hall
Public Relations

THE *Portland Hilton*

921 S. W. SIXTH AVENUE
PORTLAND, OREGON 97204

RECEIVED
JUL 18 1968
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMS.

July 17, 1968

Mr. Edward G. Bygland, Director, PSC
Bureau of Land Management
Post Office Box 3861
Portland, Oregon 97208

Dear Mr. Bygland:

Mr. Peyton has sent us copy of your letter of July 12, 1968, regarding a complaint by a student from Sierra Leons who is on a work experience program with the Bureau of Land Management in your Salem District. He did not enclose copy of the complaint, but has given us details of it by telephone.

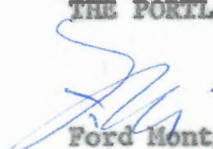
Mr. Palmer is welcome in this hotel at any time. We urge him to return here soon, so that he might see that he, having been identified, will be warmly welcomed. I shall be grateful if he will give me an opportunity to become personally acquainted with him the next time he is in the city.

This hotel, like all Hilton hotels, does not discriminate, ever, on the basis of race, color, creed or national origin. It is true, however, that a stranger in a city, dressed in work clothing and with light luggage, will preclude the possibility of a misunderstanding at any hotel's front desk, by offering his Bureau of Land Management card or some other obvious identification. Mr. Palmer did not offer any. Our Front Office personnel have now been instructed as to how to tactfully obtain identification, with minimum possibility of offending.

We regret this occurrence, Mr. Bygland, and hasten to assure that your employees are welcome here, and that we have had the pleasure of hosting many foreign students. We look forward to a continued pleasant relationship with those students, and with you and your department.

Sincerely,

THE PORTLAND HILTON


Ford Montgomery,
General Manager

FH/mf

cc: Mr. P. Palmer
Mr. R. A. Peyton ✓
Mr. R. O. Rogers, Bureau of Labor
Mr. J. Joseph, Director Public Relations, HHC
Mr. J. Roche, Vice President, HHC

Dec 6, 1969

Public Accommodation Complaint

Mrs. Barbara Vatter(phone, 223-3664) called concerning friends of hers. The friends were Augustus and Patricia Garris, both of 9539 N. Dectaur phone number 286-3462; and Ernest and Kim Warren of 1628 NE Jerret, phone number 288-1514.

On October 25th, at 8:43 pm the four people entered Sidney Porter's Place, commonly known as Sid's on SW 5th Avenue. Mr. Garris asked the waitress to bring him a drink. Mr. Garris stated that it was a screwdriver, and that a screwdriver is Vodka and orange juice. Mr. Warren then spoke out and said "give me the first part of that", meaning Vodka. The waitress then refused to wait on them, according to Mr. Warren. Then they were asked to leave. Mr. Warren and also Mr. Garris asked why would they have to leave. The waitress then stated "I don't want to serve you, get out". Mr. Warren then said "Where is Sid, I know him real well and we can get this straightened out, I would like to talk to him". The waitress said "He is out at the moment but he will be back shortly".

Later Sidney came in and the waitress cornered him in the back room. Shortly after that five police cars arrived and entered the place and asked them to leave. They asked the officers why should they have to leave. The officers did not answer, just said "Come on, get out". When outside, both parties said that they still didn't know why they were being asked to leave. The officer stated "You are not going back in". Mr. Warren said "If we are under arrest take us down". So all four were taken down to Central precinct and booked for trespassing.

Mr. Warren stated that when they arrived at the police station, being mixed couples as they were and also married, everyone seemed a little nerveous. This was after Mrs. Garris had been shaken up and pushed around by one of the officers and was told by both Mr. Garris and Mr. Warren to take it easy.

After talking to Mr. Warren, he stated that they had acquired an attorney, Mr. Pozzie, and that they were going to fight this all the way down the line, and that Sid has been known to discriminate against mixed couples and did not even at some times let them dance. Mr. Warren also stated that the hearing will be held at 9:00, December, 17; at Central precinct.

July 15, 1963

Mr. Ford Montgomery, Manager
Hilton Hotel
921 SW 6th
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

As promised in our recent telephone conversation I am forwarding a copy of the letter received from the Bureau of Land Management.

It is possible that you might be able to respond to this, explaining the reason for Mr. Palmer's being refused accommodating at your hotel.

Sincerely,

Russell A. Peyton
Executive Director

RAP/cm
Enc.



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

IN REPLY REFER TO:
1400-713
(P-734)

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Portland Service Center
Post Office Box 3861
Portland, Oregon 97208

JUL 12 1968

Mr. Russell Peyton
Executive Director
Human Relations Commission
Room 320, City Hall
Portland, Oregon 97204

RECEIVED
JUL 15 1968

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMS.

Dear Mr. Peyton:

Enclosed is a copy of a complaint filed by a student from Sierra Leona who is on a work experience program with the Bureau of Land Management in our Salem District. The complaint certainly raises a serious question of treatment of students from foreign countries by local business establishments.

The Bureau is very concerned that proper steps will be taken by the city and the Hilton Hotel to make certain that this sort of thing does not occur again and that a guest coming to the Hilton Hotel should not be measured on his attire.

We would appreciate any actions taken by your Commission in this matter and would like to be advised of any procedures that the Hilton Hotel adopts so that this occurrence does not happen again.

Sincerely yours,

Edward S. Byland
Director, PSC

Enclosure (1)

Byland
7/12/68

Dr. Palmer

Prince Palmer
c/o Bureau of Land Management
P.O. Box 152
Tillamook, Oregon

11th July 1968

The Civil Rights Commission
Room 466 State Office Building
1400 S.W. 5th
Portland, Oregon 97201

Gentlemen:

I would like to make a formal complaint concerning an incident of flagrant discrimination against me in the City of Portland. As this case was a violation of the laws of the United States, I think it is my duty to make a formal complaint to the authorities concerned.

On the evening of the 5th of July 1968, at about 7 p.m., I went in person to the Hilton Hotel and requested accomodations. The first desk attendant referred me to another attendant, who emphatically told me there were no vacancies, because all rooms were under reservations. This statement had an air of falsity in it, so I decided to check it.

I proceeded to the Hertz Rent-A-Car Office across the street, phoned the Hilton Hotel, and asked for accomodations. I was told that I would have a room ready for me upon my arrival at the hotel. I gave them my name and country of origin and they were even quite willing to send me transportation. I told them I could get there on my own. The attendants at the Hertz Rent-A-Car can testify to this.

I went back to the Hilton Hotel and demanded accomodations from the same desk clerk, who had told me there were no vacancies, whereupon he told me it was the hotel's policy to only give accomodations when made by phone calls. I questioned him about his earlier statements and expressly told him that he was a ridiculous liar. He then referred me to another attendant, who said he was the Assistant Manager. The Assistant Manager, who had overheard the conversation between the desk clerk and I, asked me what I wanted. I told him I have a reservation under the name of Prince Palmer and that I would like to have my room. The Assistant Manager told me that he was sorry but all rooms were under reservations.

I went over to the Hertz office and called the city police. Two police officers were sent. They accompanied me to the Hilton Hotel and questioned the Assistant Manager. At the sight of the police officers, he said that they had several cancellations, and that it was the other attendant who made all the mistakes, because of misunderstanding hotel policies.

This to me, was an insult to my intelligence, because it was clear that both attendant and Assistant Manager had refused me accommodations because of the color of my skin. I told the two officers that I would like them to take the particulars of the case as I would be pressing charges. The officers took my statements and the witnesses at Hertz together with that of the Assistant Manager. This record can be obtained from the Portland City Police Department.

I would appreciate it, if the Commission will take all steps in assisting me to bring the guilty parties before the law, so that in the future such malpractices can be curbed.

Hoping that my case will be given every consideration, I extend best wishes to you and yours.

Yours Sincerely,

Prince Palmer

Prince Palmer

Copy: ✓
E. G. Bygland
R. F. Renoud
Alan Carlson

July 10, 1968

Mr. Roy Renaud, Personnel Manager of the Bureau of Land Management discussed the situation of the complaint of Prince Palmer. Mr. Renaud stated that although Palmer was in work clothes as he had come direct from Tillamook to spend the weekend in Portlant, that he was clean and has some feelings that if Mr. Palmer had been an Anglo-White he would have probably received the room. This of course is a matter of speculation. The African American Institute represented by Mrs. Nichols has been in touch with the Bureau of Land Management demanding something be done regarding this discrimination. It was Mr. Renaud's suggestion that should Mr. Montgomery, the Manager of the Hilton Hotel, write a letter of apology stating that their desk clerks would be properly instructed in the future and cases of this type would be refered to administration level personnel, and that they, the Bureau of Land Management, would attempt to contact New York advising them that the matter had been satisfactorily concluded and would take no further action.

It must be understood, regardless of the position of the Bureau of Land Management it would have no effect on Mr. Palmer's right to file a complaint of discrimination with the Oregon State Bureau of Labor and/or filing a civil suit for discrimination. This matter has been discussed with the Bureau of Land Management so that Mr. Palmer may make his own decision in this regard.

It was recommended by the Human Relations Commission that should he wish to file a civil suit or a complaint with the Oregon State Bureau of Labor, or both, that they bring him in from Tillamook on Monday July 14, 1968 as the people in the Civil Rights Division of the Bureau of Labor as well as the Director of the Human Relations Commission are pretty much tied up with the Conference of International Assn. of Human Right Agencies.

Mr. Renaud agreed to this and will contact Mr. Palmer. In the meantime this office will contact Mr. Montgomery to see whether or not he desires to write such a letter of apology.

July 10, 1968
3:00 p.m.

Mr. Ford Montgomery of the Hilton Hotel of Portland Oregon called regarding an incident occuring in their hotel involving a Prince Palmer of Africa.

Mr. Montgomery stated that Prince Palmer came to the desk at the hotel and requested a room. The clerk told him that no rooms were available (even though there were) as he did not pass their "appearance test" which Mr. Montgomery states they are very liberal about but that they must enforce some limitations. He stated that they must "look desirable" and that Prince Palmer had on a blue denim jacket a shirt open in the front and jeans. It was then stated by Mr. Montgomer that Prince Palmer must have gone to an outside phone booth and called the Hilton asking if they had any rooms and when they replied in the affirmative he reserved a room and then when he came back to the hotel desk asking for his room the clerk said that he had mistakenly told him there was a room and that they really didn't have one.

Prince Palmer left the Hilton returning shortly thereafter with two police officers and at this time the Executive Assistant Manager Mr. John Reedy was called to the desk. Mr. Reedy told the officers and Prince Palmer that there were no rooms but when discrimination and suits against the hotel were discussed Mr. Reedy told them the truth and then offered a room to Prince Palmer. At this time Prince Palmer stated that he did not wish a room in the Hilton and that he was going to sue the hotel.

Mr. Reedy requested the police officers to show in their report that a room had been offered to Prince Palmer and that he had refused lodging at the Hilton.

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8:45PM

CITY BUREAU OF LABOR AND MANAGEMENT

CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON
 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
 BUREAU OF POLICE
 OFFICER'S REPORT

No. 84

SUBJECT _____

TIME _____

CAPTAIN _____

LT HULETT

SAT 7/6/68

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RE DISCRIMINATION AT HILTON HOTEL

SIR: AT APPROX 8:45PM, 7/5/68, WE RECEIVED A RADIO CALL CONCERNING A DISTURBANCE AT HERTZ RENT A CAR. WE WERE TO MEET THE COMPLAINANT AT HERTZ, SW 5 AND SALMON. AT 8:50PM, WE ARRIVED AND WERE CONTACTED BY PRINCE DOWA PALMER, A SOUTH AFRICAN, WHO RELATED THE FOLLOWING:

HE STATED THAT HE CAME FROM TILLAMOOK BY GULLYHOUND BUS AND WAS GOING TO STAY OVERNIGHT IN PORTLAND. HE WENT TO THE HOTEL HILTON WHERE HE ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN A ROOM. HE WAS TOLD AT THE HILTON THAT THEY WERE FULL, DUE TO A CONVENTION THAT WAS PRESENTLY IN TOWN AND THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN A ROOM THERE. THE CLERK ALSO STATED THAT PALMER WOULD NEED A RESERVATION AND IT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE BY TELEPHONE.

AT THAT TIME, PALMER LEFT THE HILTON AND WENT ACROSS THE STREET TO HERTZ RENT A CAR OFFICE, SW 5 AND SALMON. HE PLACED A PHONE CALL TO THE HILTON, GIVING HIS NAME AND REQUESTING A ROOM. THEY TOLD HIM THAT A ROOM WAS AVAILABLE AND THAT THEY WOULD GO TO HIS LOCATION AND PICK HIM UP. HE STATED THIS WAS NOT NECESSARY, HE WOULD GET TO THE HOTEL BY HIMSELF.

PALMER WENT INTO THE HOTEL AND AGAIN TRIED TO OBTAIN A ROOM, ROOM WHICH HE HAD CALLED ABOUT EARLIER. HE WAS MET BY THE HOTEL CLERK, NAMED JOHN MARTIN REITY, WHO TOLD HIM THAT A ROOM WAS NOT AVAILABLE AND THAT THEY WERE FULL. AT THAT TIME, PALMER WENT BACK TO HERTZ RENT A CAR AND PHONED POLICE.

WE WENT TO THE HOTEL HILTON W/PALMER AND AGAIN CONTACTED THE CLERK, JOHN MARTIN REITY, AND QUESTIONED HIM ABOUT THE SITUATION. HE STATED THAT HE COULD CHECK TO SEE IF ~~THE~~ A RESERVED ROOM WAS EMPTY AND THAT IF SO, HE WOULD GET A ROOM FOR PALMER. AFTER CHECKING, HE STATED THAT THERE WAS AN EMPTY ROOM AND THAT THE ROOM WOULD COST \$14. AT THAT TIME, PALMER STATED THAT AS A MATTER OF PRIDE, HE DECIDED NOT STAY AT THE HILTON AND WOULD GO TO ANOTHER HOTEL. THE CLERK, REITY, WAS INFORMED OF THIS AND LEFT.

A CHECK WITH RAY NIM COLLINGS, WHO WORKS FOR HERTZ RENT A CAR, SUBSTANTIATED WHAT PALMER HAD STATED EARLIER. PALMER DID MAKE THE PHONE CALL AND COLLINGS STATED HE HEARD ONE SIDE OF THE CALL WHICH WOULD BE PALMER'S SIDE AND TO MR COLLINGS, IT SOUNDED THAT PALMER'S RESERVATION HAD BEEN CONFIRMED.

MR PALMER STATED TO US THAT HE FELT THAT HE HAD BEEN DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AND THAT HE DID WANT TO PURSUE THE MATTER FURTHER. HE ALSO ASKED FOR ADDRESS OR NAME OF PERSONS HE COULD CONTACT CONCERNING THIS MATTER OF DISCRIMINATION. AT THE TIME, HE WAS INFORMED THAT POSSIBLY THE BUR OF LABOR AND MANAGEMENT WERE THE PERSONS TO CONTACT.

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