



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
HARRISBURG

MILTON J. SHAPP  
GOVERNOR

August 26, 1974

HAND DELIVERED

Honorable Patrick A. Gleason  
Chairman  
Select Committee on State  
Contract Practices  
House of Representatives  
Room B-10 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Mr. Gleason:

I have reviewed my calendar and accept your response to my request that I appear before your Committee. The date of October 4th has been set aside by me for this purpose. I have also cleared October 7th and 8th for possible subsequent appearances if they are deemed necessary.

Nevertheless, I would appreciate it if you would let me know as quickly as possible if one of the latter two days can be cleared. There is a tremendous press of business awaiting me in early October and the release of these dates for other matters would be helpful.

As you will recall, I stated last week that I would go on television and radio to take my case to the people in the event that you failed to set a date for me to appear.

Now that you have responded in the affirmative to my insistence, I shall not ask for television and radio time but call upon you to request live television and radio coverage of my appearance.

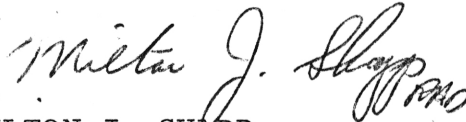
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Only through widespread public awareness will the people be fully informed as to what is going on here in Harrisburg.

Your prompt attention to this request would be appreciated by me and by the people of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Milton J. Shapp". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

MILTON J. SHAPP  
Governor



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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August 25, 1974

Hon. Patrick A. Gleason  
House of Representatives  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Gleason:

I have your letter of August 23rd.

In relation to the question of income tax returns, it is indeed gratifying that you uphold an "unquestioned right to privacy" in such matters.

In this regard, I note especially your offer of a meeting between my staff and yours to serve as an alternative to the issuance of a subpoena for resolving any questions.

As of this time, neither I nor my attorneys have received any subpoena.

Therefore, I am asking Mr. Beaser of my office to take up your alternative offer on behalf of my personal attorneys.

Mr. Beaser will call your staff as a first order of business on Monday morning to set up a meeting as quickly as possible between my personal attorneys and your staff counsel.

In regard to the dates for my appearance before your committee, I will review my calendar on Monday with my appointments secretary and give you a firm answer before the end of the day.

Sincerely,

*Milton J. Shapp*  
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Governor

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