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Chief, Operations Group
Foreign Broadcast Information Service
P.O. Box 2604
Washington, D.C. 20013

Dear [Redacted]

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Dean Trump and I enjoyed our three-way conversation recently. This letter will confirm our tentative arrangement to review, critique and make recommendations on your editing procedures.

After our discussion, Dean Trump and I feel that we could handle the project in two weeks time, say in June or July, at an agreed upon rate of [Redacted] each and the customary per diem for living expenses.

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Enclosed are copies of our resumes. Please feel free to call us at [Redacted] both 212 area code. In the meantime it would be helpful if we could get a shipment of the raw material dupes and the finished product of a day's press run.

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Due to other commitments of my own and Dean Trump's outstanding professional qualifications and availability at the conclusion of the school term, we felt that a joint effort utilizing our complementary talents would produce the best results for your project.

If you'd care to see editing and/or writing samples, please let us know and we would be more than happy to furnish them. This would seem to be an exciting challenge and we both look forward to hearing from you soon and working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,



Stephen R. Conn

CHRISTOPHER G. TRUL

update: April, 1979

PROFESSIONAL -- Assistant to the dean and then assistant dean, Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, 1965-present. Responsibilities include program support, admissions and financial aid, budget, student and alumni affairs, placement and development.

Also contributing editor, Atlas World Press Review; adjunct editor, national desk, New York News; writer of random articles for New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Columbia Journalism Review, Environment, Change; writer of articles for Arete, a new encyclopedia; consultation with a number of groups, ranging from New Jersey Press Association to Women's Press Club of New York City.

Information officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Institute for Space Studies, New York City; then lecturer for NASA's national educational program, including co-production of the television series, "Our Physical World," 1962-65.

EDUCATION -- MSJ, Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, 1962, high honors.
BSFS, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, 1958, magna cum laude.

OTHER -- U.S. Army, active duty, swimming instructor and illustrator, Army Intelligence Board, Fort Holabird, Maryland, 1958-60; German instructor, Baltimore City College, 1961; drove length of Pan American Highway from New York to Chile, 1963; series of articles for Small World and Quincy Patriot Ledger.
Member: American Council on Germany; Mid-Atlantic Club.

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MOST RECENTLY -- Completed translation of German bestseller by Robert Jungk which will be published shortly as "The New Tyranny" by Grosset and Dunlap; essay on Pressekonzentration und Pressefreiheit in den USA in a German volume published by Nomos Verlag, 1979; appointed to 8-person American Bar Association planning task force on public education about the law, including, ia., Scott M. Matheson, governor of Utah; Rhoda Karparkin, executive director of Consumers' Union and Edward H. Levi.

STEPHEN R. CONN

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COMMUNICATIONS, EDITORIAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE has included interviewing, writing, editing for newspapers, magazines, television, radio, political, including Presidential, campaigns, press relations with national and local media encompassing all aspects of publicity such as working with press, producing and coordinating newsworthy events and policy formation. Communication and organizational efforts have also included work at all levels of community, from ghetto residents to corporate presidents to local and national leaders.

EXPERIENCECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANTSeptember, 1971-Present

Have provided organizational and advance work, press and media relations, production of public hearings and conferences, writing of speeches, testimony, annual and other reports, newsletters, press releases, policy formation, primarily for non-profit organizations, based in New York and Washington, D.C. Clients have included:

National League of Cities(1972-78)U. S. Commission on Civil Rights(1971-72)U.S. Conference of Mayors(1972-77)National Alliance of Business(1976-78)National Center for Voluntary Action(1971-72)New York Center for Ethnic Affairs(1973-75)Cabinet Committee on OpportunitiesDemocratic National Committee, (Director of Communications for 1972 Democratic Platform)for Spanish Speaking People(1971-72)Common Cause(1970-72)Columbia University(1979)

Directed effort to recruit qualified minorities for Graduate School of Journalism and for journalism profession nationally.

JOURNALISTDecember, 1969-PresentTown & Country MagazineDecember, 1969-Present

As contributing editor of Town & Country(160,000 circulation) have written major articles, including the cover stories for magazine's special city issues, obtaining many exclusive interviews with national and world leaders. As restaurant editor, reviewed restaurants in U.S. and abroad.

Reveille MagazineOctober, 1972-August, 1978

Founded national magazine for Vietnam-era veterans, publishing it under sponsorship of National League of Cities as 24-36-page bi-monthly and was singlehandedly responsible for originating, researching, writing, editing of all stories and layout.

Articles published in The New York Times, Congressional Record and other publications.

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THE NATIONAL URBAN COALITION

July, 1969-September, 1971

Assistant Director of Communications--Assisted Director of Communications with national press effort to include production of news events and press conferences, writing and editing of major Coalition publications, liaison with national media, advance work for John W. Gardner, former Chairman of Coalition, contributing editor of City magazine, monthly publication on urban affairs, director of communications for Commission on the Cities in the 70's, sponsored by Coalition and co-chaired by former Senator Fred R. Harris of Oklahoma and former Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

February, 1969-June, 1969

Associate Producer/Correspondent--Worked on all phases of documentary production, including research, writing, interviewing, tape editing in Special Projects Unit of NET until unit was disbanded for lack of funds.

EYE MAGAZINE

November, 1968-February, 1969

Managing Editor--Helped produce monthly magazine with national circulation of 250,000 for Hearst Corporation, aimed at 16-21 year age group. Conceived, assigned, edited and in some cases rewrote articles dealing with contemporary youth scene. Supervised and coordinated layout, production and work of all departments. Wrote a monthly column on what was "in" and "out" for nation's youth. Agreed to remain in job only until obtaining suitable television assignment.

WINS RADIO

September, 1968-January, 1969

Wrote half-hour broadcasts for all news radio station, while seeking position in television.

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN OF
SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY

April, 1968-June, 1968

Press Aide--Wrote major articles under Senator Kennedy's by-line for newspapers and magazines. Dealt with national press covering campaign and helped coordinate press coverage in Washington during Senator's funeral.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

September, 1960-April, 1968

Reporter and Feature Writer

January, 1966-April, 1968

As metropolitan staff reporter, covered stories on city government, Parks Department, the environment, ethnic groups and covered riots in New York City during summers of 1966 and 1967. As feature writer, wrote special articles on life styles of America's elite.

News Assistant on Picture Desk

December, 1963-January, 1966

Selected pictures and produced layouts, including captions, for major stories under deadline pressure.

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THE NEW YORK TIMES(continued)

News Clerk and Copy Boy

September, 1960-October, 1961

While at Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, worked part-time at Times, joining staff full-time between graduation and military service.

MILITARY SERVICE

November, 1961-November, 1963

U.S. Army Intelligence--Served as lieutenant in intelligence work of classified nature following period as Chief of Information for U.S. Army Intelligence Center. In latter position, supervised and coordinated release of information on national and local levels and was responsible for liaison with all communications media. Was only junior officer on General Staff and successor as Chief of Information was Major. Left Reserves with rank of Captain.

EDUCATION

Cornell University--Majored in Government. B.A., 1960.

Columbia University--Graduate School of Journalism. M.S., 1961.

LANGUAGES

Former fluency in Spanish and Russian could be regained through use.

References and work samples available upon request.