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Correspondence: 1991 Sexual Harassment Committee and Task Force

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Please reply to: Dr. Carole Garrison

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Dear Del,

First on behalf of the Division let me congratulate you on your upcoming Presidency of ASC. Let me also give you an offer too good to refuse: a list of Division members who would like to help make your Presidency a memorable one for ASC. I know after your dinner with Helene "memorable" might be a "risky" concept. Please believe that I mean it in the best sense. I can say that because over the years through Helene, I know you to be an excellent scholar and a "good guy". I hope and expect that you will make full use of the talents and energies of these volunteers.

There is one other concern/request I'd like to put forward. It has to do with the emerging issue of sexual harassment. In San Francisco, John Hagan, graciously shared his suite for a few hours with us. ASC women dialogued about their own experiences of being sexually harassed both in ASC and in their institutions by colleagues and professors. By offering his suite for three hours, John was able to do several important things:

- Provide safe space for the conversation
- Affirm the importance of the issue
- Create a feeling of cooperation with male colleagues and thus the potential for male allies within the ASC around this issue rather than polarization and threats

We would appreciate your scheduling a time in New Orleans where we could use your suite to continue what was started in San Francisco. I ask you rather than Al for personal reasons.
If I can be of assistance, convince Helene to be program co-chair, round up more volunteers--just let me know. In the meantime I look forward to hearing from you especially as it regards the issue of sexual harassment.

Sincerely,

Carole Garrison, Division Chair

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MEMORANDUM

TO: ASC Board Members and Division Chairs
FROM: Del Elliott, President-elect
DATE: December 27, 1991
RE: Recommendations for committee chairpersons, 1992-3

I will be on sabbatical during the Fall semester and at the University of Melbourne in Australia. Before I leave (Feb. 1st), I would like to have the entire Program Committee and the chairpersons for all of the other standing committees selected. I would thus like to have your recommendations for these positions in the next couple of weeks.

I would like to encourage you to think of persons already on these committees as possible chairpersons as this would provide some continuity to the committee's work. I recognize that this may not be the best option in some cases, and that continuity may not be particularly important to the functioning of some committees. In any case, I would be pleased to have any recommendations you would like to make. In particular, I would appreciate hearing from the Executive Counselors serving as Committee Chairs about persons who would make good chairpersons for their committees. If you have recommendations for committee members (as well as chairpersons), please include them as well.

I apologize for the short notice. Any recommendations you can make will be greatly appreciated by Mac and me. Thanks.
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Dear Del,

Thanks for making your "last ditch" attempt to respond to me. I really appreciated your phone message knowing full well what horror it is trying to leave the country the very next day! No wonder everyone is looking forward to your presidency.

But our inability to connect does bring up an apparently long standing concern of the Division. That concern is Sarah’s apparent inability to respond in a timely fashion. I requested mailing labels in November - again in December and most recently last week. NOTHING. I'm sure she is over worked, understaffed and up to her "ass in alligators" but I cannot operate this way.

Thank you for agreeing to make available your suite for our continuing Sexual Harassment Dialogue. I will pass that information on to Betsy Stanko who I hope will again facilitate that meeting. She will schedule the time directly with you prior to the November meeting. I suspect that she may need to see the preliminary conference schedule before she can set up a specific time.

I’ve enclosed a copy of my letter to Charles Wellford for your information and will keep you informed as we proceed. I’m also enclosing the Division report I submitted for the mid-winter meeting.

Thank you again. Enjoy Australia.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Carole Garrison, Chair

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Susan Martin
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December 29, 1991

Dear Carole,

Thanks for your letter of November 26th and the recommendations for committees. I do indeed appreciate volunteers! The enclosed memo is unnecessary for you, but if you have any new suggestions I would be happy to have them.

I would be pleased to make my suite available to you in New Orleans to continue the discussion on sexual harassment. Let me know what would be a good time for you.

Cordially,

Del Elliott