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Dear Dick:

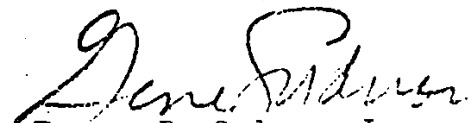
In response to your request, the origin of the memorandum from Lewis F. Powell, Jr. to me dated August 23, 1971 (prior to Mr. Powell's nomination to the Court) is as follows:

Mr. Powell and I have been friends for years, and we have both worked in public education in Virginia. When I became Chairman of the Education Committee of the Chamber, I discussed with him various ways of providing for the public a more balanced view of the Free Enterprise System, which has been under considerable criticism for a number of years.

At my request Mr. Powell incorporated these possible approaches in a memorandum for the use of my committee. His suggestions covered a broad range of possible educational activities for study and consideration by the Education Committee and, if desired, by the Chamber's Board.

I felt, and still do, that the memorandum afforded a helpful checklist of educationally-oriented programs which the Chamber might consider.

Sincerely yours,


Eugene B. Sydnor, Jr.