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Associate Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr.
U. S. Supreme Court
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Dear Justice Powell:

I was interested in reading the memorandum you wrote for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and recently published by Human Events.

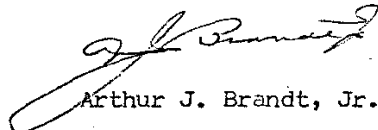
I think you have done a fine job in pointing out the deficiencies of the Free Enterprise System, not telling its own story, and in effect participating in its own destruction.

I am sure you must be aware that Alice Widener, the publisher of U.S.A. magazine, has documented Ralph Nader's affiliations with the Socialist movement and they are many. As you emphasize, Nader is probably the most effective American business antagonist, but nobody goes on to say that the guy is a Socialist. I have tried in my own small way to get General Motors to bring this out by distributing Mrs. Widener's essay on Nader to its dealerships - but no takers.

In the discussion of the problems to the Chamber you suggested a panel of independent scholars to evaluate social science textbooks. It brought into mind the question as to whether or not you are familiar to the work done by America's Future, Inc., of New Rochelle, N. Y. They do just this, and I think very effectively. Although, it may not be as two sided as you might suggest. In order to counter-balance the four decades of socialistic education fed to the students and who are now adults in America, it is going to take a massive effort on the Conservative side to change their thinking.

I can understand why Jack Anderson might attack you as being unfit for the Supreme Court, because at the time he wrote about the so-called "Confidential Memo" really nobody aside from Chamber officials probably had seen it. Since they requested it, it is understandable that it should have been kept within their purview. Since he has brought it to light, and I am sure he is a dedicated Socialist, he can make the charge and get away with it because nobody had seen it. That is par for leftwing and its associates. I agree wholeheartedly with what you have said, and have for many years. I just hope somebody takes it to heart and does something about it.

Sincerely,


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P.S. As a matter of interest we had some legal work in Virginia several years ago, and it was through my friend Betsy Osth of Berryville that I was led to Lucas Phillips of Leesburg who is a member of the Virginia House of Delegates. He is a fine lawyer and a very dedicated Conservative. Perhaps you know him.