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WASHINGTON

John
Robson

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March 1
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~~write~~ in full 3/12/75
for "John Robinson"
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Phil -

The Commerce Committee has requested that I provide opinions of counsel from (1) Justice and (2) the CAB "concerning potential conflicts of interest or any legal barriers" to my serving in the position of CAB Chairman. The attached is substantially the submission I plan to make to the Commerce Committee in the next day or so + which I have reviewed with its staff.

Could you arrange to have such opinions prepared and furnished directly to Sen. Magnuson as Chairman of the

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Commerce Committee.

I'll call you on this.

Thanks.

John Rabson

One First National Plaza
Chicago, Illinois 60603
March 11, 1975

Hon. Warren G. Magnuson
Chairman
Senate Commerce Committee
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In connection with my nomination to become a Member of the Civil Aeronautics Board, I am submitting biographical, financial and other information requested by the Committee staff. I would like to make a few comments with respect to these materials:

1. I will resign from my law firm and no commitment or understanding will exist with respect to my future return to it.

2. While I personally do not believe that my present financial holdings pose an immediate or potential conflict of interest problem, I shall, of course, be guided in the handling of these by the Committee's judgment. Also, although the character of my holdings probably does not require it, I am considering establishing a "blind trust" to which I would transfer my liquid assets.

3. With respect to professional relationships which might create a conflict of interest situation, it is my present intention, subject, of course, to the advice of CAB counsel and my own continuing judgment as to propriety and appearance, to handle these as follows:

(a) I would not participate in a matter before the CAB of a former client for which I have had prior personal professional participation before the CAB or in connection with the client's CAB matters. Tentatively, I would not apply this bar to matters



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commenced after I took office involving a multi-party proceeding where broad policy was involved and the former client falling into this category was only one among a large group.

(b) I would not participate in a matter pending before the CAB at the time I took office where my firm is then acting as counsel.

(c) As to other matters, I would treat them on an ad hoc basis, cognizant of the need to avoid the apparent, as well as the real, potential conflict situation.

(d) I plan formally to disclose in a docket or Federal Register notice the professional relationships listed in my submission to your Committee so that the information will be available to interested parties during my term of service on the CAB.



JOHN E. ROBSON

Personal Background, Education and Government Experience

Personal: Home: Chicago, Illinois. Age 44. Married (Margaret Zuehlke), two sons (Matthew and Douglas, ages 12 and 9).

Education: Winnetka, Illinois public schools. Yale University (B.A. 1952), Harvard Law School (L.L.B., cum laude, 1955).

Military: U. S. Army 1955-57 (enlisted man). Honorable discharge.

Professional: Senior partner in Chicago law firm of Sidley & Austin.

Government Experience:

1. Federal. Under Secretary of Transportation (1968-69); General Counsel, U.S. Department of Transportation (1967-68); Interim Administrator, Urban Mass Transportation Administration (1968); Special Consultant to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget (1966); Chairman, National Advisory Council on Economic Opportunity (1970-72); Member, DOT Urban Transportation Advisory Council (1970-74); Miscellaneous consultancies (1969-74).

2. State. Transportation Counsel to Governor Richard Ogilvie of Illinois (1969-73); Chairman, Governor's Commission to Organize the Illinois Department of Transportation (1971).

Political: Registered Republican, Chicago, Illinois.



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