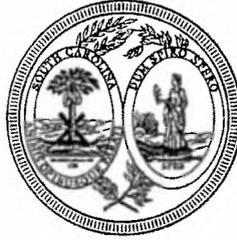


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November 12, 2012

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor, State of South Carolina
South Carolina State House, First Floor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

I wish to bring to your attention Mr. Walter M^cSherry, as a candidate to receive the Order of the Palmetto. I have known Walter for nearly 20 years, and have been awed by his servant's heart, energy, and love of all things South Carolina.

Walter is a decorated patriot, having served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. Upon his retirement from the military he was accepted to the prestigious Wharton School of Finance and Commerce where he received his Master of Business Administration degree.

In more recent years, Walter has been a patriot on the local level fighting for the Citizens for Efficient Government and the Republican Party. Often times he has been the driving force behind pertinent issues, all with an eye on using resources more efficiently therefore saving taxpayer money. Walter even took on school book publisher Prentice Hall resulting in the correction of nearly 500 factual errors found in books used by the South Carolina Department of Education. Walter can be counted on to be reasonable, fair, prepared, and willing to work hard for the betterment of the community.

Walter is a peaceable man. His faith, service to and love for God are evident to all in his role as a Sunday School teacher and as a Gideon, where he is dedicated to Bible distribution and evangelism. As a humble servant, Walter became a leader.

I believe that Walter M^cSherry is the embodiment of the best of South Carolina, and is deserving of the honor of the Order of the Palmetto. I am happy to talk with you more at length if you need further information. Please feel free to contact me at 734-2156 if I can be of assistance.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Hammond".

Mark Hammond
Secretary of State

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Walter McSherry
October 23, 2013

The first time I met Walter was at a Denny's restaurant. He was wearing a suit with white shirt and tie. He had an air of a man on a mission. A man with somewhere to go and something somewhat urgent to do.

He had already had his lunch but was courteous enough to stay while I had mine. His side of the table had a stack of papers and note books. Later, when I would see him, I realized he always carried papers and note books.

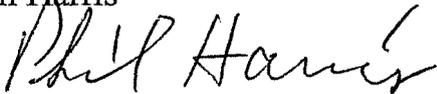
Walter is a man who lives the text book life style. For example, he doesn't just call a person to invite them to be a speaker at one of our meetings. He sends them a confirmation letter complete with directions and the date and time of the meeting.

Walter is a storehouse of information. He has years of experience and involvement in the arena of politics. He knows how to maneuver. When it comes to putting together a strategy, he knows well what will probably work and what probably won't work.

In many ways Walter is an accomplished and dedicated servant of the conservative cause.

I think Walter would be a great recipient of the Order of the Palmetto.

Phil Harris



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