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TELEPHONE VICTOR 0800

June 11, 1947

Dear Tom:

Enclosed find some background material on ray friend Dick Shanahan. Dick has talked to Jim Pendergast and has Jim's endorsement. Harry Morris has recommended him to the Governor and Harry and Ton Gavin are going to talk to the Governor next week on this and other subjects. Harry has talked to Hamp Chambers and Hamp says that he knows Dick well and favorably and that he will recommend him to the Governor.

Dick has been my personal and intimate friend for many years. His political affiliations are the same as mine, although he is not listed as a dues-paying member any place and, as such, is the type of applicant that the Governor has been seeking for his appointments.

If Dick is appointed, he will exemplify the kind of public official that the Democratic Party needs in this community and will be a real credit to the Party, Your support will be sincerely appreciated.

With my kindest personal regards, I am

V Very truly yours, Thomas Phillips

Mr. Thomas L. Evans President, Crown Drug Company 2110 Central Kansas City, Missouri

TP: jc Enc.

MEMORANDUM

NAME Richard Patrick Shanahan

AGE Thirty-eight

RESIDENCE 6915 Valley Road, Kansas City, Missouri

LAW

OFFICE 711 Commerce Building

BIRTH Chicago, Illinois

EDUCATION A. B. Degree Loyola University, Chicago; L. L. B. Degree Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.

PROFESSIONAL

& EMPLOY- Former Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation; former Special Assistant
MENT RECORD to Attorney General of U. S., Criminal Division; 1941 appointed Director of Plant
Protection for North American Aviation, Inc. of Kansas; 1944, Executive
Assistant to Factory Manager, North American Aviation, Inc.; 1945 to 1947 in
the active and successful practise of law.

POLITICS

Politically, a life-long Democrat; experienced campaigner; National Campaign, 1936, a member of Speakers Committee of Democratic National Committee and spoke in four states; made Speeches and took other important assignments in Campaign of November, 1946. Supported Phil LI. Donnelly for Governor.

FAMILY

Married to Helen T. Kramer, Grandaughter of A. A. Kramer, President, Columbia Steel Tank Company. He has three children.