

MEMORANDUM

TO : Governor

FROM : Attorney General

SUBJECT: Constitutional Convention

DATE: 6/11/85

Delegates to the Constitutional Convention require legal assistance and have requested it from my office, your office and the House. I can provide at least one attorney if the Constitutional Convention picks up his wages during that time (i.e. new attorney will start work earlier than planned). Beyond that, any person taken from our staff will cause a loss of service. All criminal and civil attorneys are committed to court appearances throughout the Convention. No one attorney could be cut loose full-time. Don will be in the States on two cases doing depositions that were scheduled by the Court. That leaves only me to:

1. run the office and INO,
2. write AG Opinions,
3. handle legislation, and
4. advise all our clients.

I am willing, if necessary, to "shut down" these functions for the duration of the Constitutional Convention. But, that's a pretty drastic measure.

If my office has to resort to such drastic scaling down of services, I would expect that the attorneys in the Governor's Office and the Legislature be committed to the Constitutional Convention as well. I believe their regular services are less essential, their expertise equal with ours, and that it will take five attorneys to be on-call for the Convention. Please advise me of your feelings before Wednesday's meeting.


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