



STATE OF OREGON

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Governor

DATE: September 13, 1982

FROM: Gerry Thompson

SUBJECT: Anti-harassment Constitutionality Question
Conversation with John Stevens, Roseburg
SAIF Legal Action

Just so you will know, I have assigned this to Dave Fiskum and Jim Russell who will be working with Tom Denney and Bill Gary of the Attorney General's office. The time is not appropriate for you to make any public statements. Dave will be working with Marla Rae to determine the appropriate timing for you to come out front on our appeal. The position of the appeal cannot be determined until the Attorney General's office has reviewed the whole matter. In fact, it appears that the case may have to be re-tried because of some legal hole that was not filled during the court case. We will keep you posted.

John Stevens from Roseburg Lumber called. He was concerned when you were asked in the debate about putting people back to work by January 1983, that you did not answer the question strongly enough. He is trying to arrange time for you to help him reopen his Coquille mill sometime during the first two weeks of October. I have referred this for scheduling to the campaign office. Stevens has just invested \$6 million in retooling the mill in Coquille and will be reopening it during the first two weeks of October. He contributes the ability for him to reopen to the \$6 million investment, the improvement in the log markets and the cooperation of the union in making concessions to allow him to operate the mill profitably. The union was IWA. Without mentioning names, you are welcome to use this in any economic development points you want to make. He would prefer you not mention the mill or ownership, as Congressman Weaver is trying hard to become involved. He also wanted you to know his PAC will be sending you a contribution.

Roy Livermore called to let you know SAIF will be holding a special meeting today at 3 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the testing of the legality of the SAIF fund transfer. He is certain the board will vote affirmatively to proceed on the basis they need to understand the validity of the decision and can only test it through the courts. All members of the board will be present except Donna Vance. 4:30 p.m. -- just received word that SAIF voted to file legal action against the decision.