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**NRA Personnel Authorization Change Form EXECUTIVE OFFICES** DATE: 11/08/17 FROM: **Human Resources** Wayne LaPierre at the Request of: A request is hereby made concerning the following employee: Joshua Powell 5033 Name: Location: OHQ (HQ) ID# **ORGANIZATIONAL TRANSFER** FROM: TO: TITLE: DIVISION: **DEPARTMENT:** SAL. ACT. 5000-10200 **Effective Date** 11/08/17 Present Recommended **Difference** \$0.00 Salary #D(V/O) \$50,000.00 Bonus Method: Gross Charge to: \_\_\_5010-10200\_\_\_ Status Ex Supv. W. La Pierre Time Pro Security Level: (Circle one only if changed) **Employee** Manager Time Keeper Reviewed: Date: Approved: Date: Division contact Approved: Date: Director/Officer Date: Approved: See attached

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Grouch, Linda

From:

Phillips, Wilson

Sent:

Wednesday, July 13, 2016 3:44 PM

To:

Crouch, Linda

Subject:

**RE: Josh Powell** 

You are correct about the date. Sorry. Yes to the exception, and I will be more cognizant of calendar quarters in the future.

From: Crouch, Linda

Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2016 3:04 PM To: Phillips, Wilson < WPhillips@nrahq.org>

Subject: RE: Josh Powell

His start date was June 7.....

Do we need to make a retro exception for him? I suspect yes, but let me know please.

Thanks!

Linda

From: Phillips, Wilson

Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2016 2:17 PM To: Crouch, Linda <LCrouch@nrahq.org>

Subject: Josh Powell

Linda, please increase Josh Powell's base pay to \$500,000 effective on his start date, which I believe was July 2, 2016. If we can pay the retroactive part in a separate check earlier, that would be great.

**Thanks** 

Woody

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Crouch, Linda

From:

Phillips, Wilson

Sent:

Thursday, June 29, 2017 11:10 AM

To:

Crouch, Linda

Subject:

Re: Josh paperwork?

Linda, Based on my discussions with Wayne, please increase Josh Powell's base pay to \$650,000 as of the first pay period to be paid in the third quarter of 2017. Feel free to call if you have any questions.

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From: Crouch, Linda

Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 10:56 AM

To: Phillips, Wilson

Subject: Josh paperwork?

Woody – you were going to send me an email about the change for Josh. And I also need to know what you recommend for timing of the Advancement bonuses totaling \$215k – Tyler said to ask you.

Thanks! Linda

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Crouch, Linda

From:

Phillips, Wilson

Sent:

Wednesday, November 08, 2017 10:02 AM

To:

Crouch, Linda RE: numbers

Subject: Sensitivity:

Confidential

JP - \$50,000

From: Crouch, Linda

Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2017 9:45 AM To: Phillips, Wilson < WPhillips@nrahq.org>

Subject: numbers Importance: High Sensitivity: Confidential

JP - last increase 150 on 7/10/17

Thanks!

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Linda S. Crouch, MEd, MA, MS
Executive Director, Human Resources
National Rifle Association
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Fairfax, VA 22030
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Crouch, Linda

From:

Phillips, Wilson

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:56 PM

To:

Crouch, Linda

Subject:

Josh Powell

Linda, please increase Josh Powell's annual pay to \$800,000, effective January 1, 2018.

I have a new contract with him to put in his file, when Wayne and he have signed it.

**Thanks** 

Woody

Sent from my iPhone

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1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS 3 DALLAS DIVISION 4 5 IN RE: ) 6 NATIONAL RIFLE ) Case No. 7 ) 21-30085-hdh-11 ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA AND SEA GIRT, LLC, 8 Debtors. 9 10 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 11 12 REMOTE ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF 13 WAYNE LAPIERRE 14 VOLUME 1 15 IN HIS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY AND AS CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVE OF 16 17 THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA 18 MARCH 22, 2021 19 CONFIDENTIAL PURSUANT TO PROPOSED PROTECTIVE ORDER 20 21 2.2 2.3 2.4 2.5 Page 1

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1 Go ahead and answer, if you can. If you need 2 the time to go through --3 Α. Section L --4 Q. (BY MR. SHEEHAN) Schedule L, part V, lists 5 out one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten people. Do you know how the NRA selected 6 their particular excess reimbursements for review? 7 MR. GARMAN: So just for clarity, here is 8 schedule L. We're on a screen that can only show part 9 10 of it. Schedule L has a list of names on the left-hand side. I believe he is referring to the identity of the 11 names that fall in this first column on the left. 12 13 I don't know how they were selected. 14 Q. (BY MR. SHEEHAN) Okay. But if we look 15 through this, the NRA has a dispute with Joshua Powell. 16 Isn't that correct, at the current time? 17 MR. GARMAN: Your Honor -- I'm sorry. 18 Counsel, are you referring to -- it's on video -- bad 19 habit. Are you referring to a particular portion of the 20 document right now. 21 MR. SHEEHAN: No. I'm asking him more 22 generally. 23 (BY MR. SHEEHAN) Does the NRA currently have Ο. 24 a dispute with Mr. Josh Powell about excess benefit 25 transactions?

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I know that -- you would really need to ask the attorneys on that. I know that Josh Powell has paid back -- has written a check to the NRA for a substantial amount. I don't know what the outstanding legal issues are with Josh Powell that the NRA has. Okay. So if I look at Mr. Wilson Phillips, do you know why there was no review of his credit card charges for purposes of preparing schedule L? MR. GARMAN: Objection to the form of the question. Α. I have no idea. (BY MR. SHEEHAN) Okay. With respect to Q. Oliver North, do you know why his payments were selected for review? Α. I don't.

- 15
- 16 With respect to board member travel, do you know why -- which board members were selected for 17 18 review?
- 19 Α. I don't. I didn't do the selection. I don't 2.0 know.
- 21 Who did the selection? Q.
- 22 MR. CORRELL: Objection to the extent 23 that it calls for him to reveal any attorney/client 24 communication. This is Mr. Correll.
  - I don't know the answer to that.

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1 Mr. Powell, correct? 09:21:32 Yes. 09:21:33 Α. And did Mr. Powell contest any 3 0. 09:21:36 expenditures that were listed on the spreadsheet? 09:21:38 Α. He did. 09:21:40 6 All right. And did you-all come to a 09:21:41 determination of which expenses were proper and 7 09:21:44 which ones were improper? 09:21:47 8 Well, the NRA and Mr. Powell came to 9 09:21:49 different determinations of which expenses were 09:21:52 10 proper and improper, which is why he -- he short 09:21:55 11 paid the demand. 12 09:21:59 13 Were there any expenses which were 09:22:02 considered to be included in the excess benefit 09:22:04 14 transactions but not included? 09:22:06 15 MR. CICILIANO (VIA ZOOM): Objection; 09:22:10 16 vaque, form. 09:22:13 17 09:22:16 18 Yes, there were. 19 And what were those expenses? 09:22:17 I think it include -- well, there were -- 09:22:22 20 there were a few. There were his -- there were 09:22:25 21 22 his -- his cellular phone charges where we demanded 09:22:33 23 information about -- you know, more detailed 09:22:37 24 information about his cellular billing. I don't 09:22:40 think we demanded repayment of those, but we also 09:22:43 25 Page 61

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1 couldn't get enough information to determine that 09:22:46 they were necessarily improper. 09:22:49 3 And I think we -- I think there was some 09:22:50 unclarity about the terms of his -- some of his 09:22:53 4 housing and relocation expenses and whether they 09:22:59 5 6 properly should have been covered or not. 09:23:02 7 So I think we left -- I think we left some 09:23:04 things out where we were uncertain about --8 09:23:06 uncertain about the justice of the demand. 09:23:09 The justice -- you had concerns about the 09:23:13 10 justice of the demand. 09:23:16 11 12 What does -- and what does that mean? 09:23:18 13 Just whether the -- whether the evidence 09:23:19 14 was strong enough that the expenditures were 09:23:20 09:23:23 15 improper. Okay. So who participated in that 16 09:23:23 negotiation with Mr. Powell about the justice of the 09:23:26 17 particular claims? 09:23:31 18 19 Well -- well, just to be clear, there were 09:23:33 20 a couple of -- there were -- there were multiple 09:23:35 discussions with Mr. Powell's -- who was represented 09:23:38 21 22 by counsel through -- throughout. There were 09:23:43 23 multiple discussions with counsel. But the 09:23:45 24 discussions were by me and Ms. Rogers. 09:23:46 Q. Did the NRA list on its bankruptcy 09:23:52 25 Page 62

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Page 1 1 2 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK Index No. 451625 3 4 PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, BY LETITIA JAMES, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE 5 STATE OF NEW YORK, 6 Plaintiff, 7 against -8 THE NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, 9 INC., WAYNE LAPIERRE, WILSON PHILLIPS, JOHN FRAZER, and JOSHUA POWELL, 10 Defendants. 11 12 May 5, 2022 13 9:04 a.m. 14 15 REMOTE VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION of LISA 16 SUPERNAUGH, before Anthony Giarro, a 17 Registered Professional Reporter, a 18 Certified Realtime Reporter and a Notary 19 Public of the State of New York. 20 21 22 23 24 25

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2	maintain copies of these invoices?
3	A It was.
4	Q Where did you maintain
5	copies of these invoices?
6	A My file draw in my office.
7	Q Did you maintain physical
8	copies?
9	A I did.
10	Q Did you also maintain
11	electronic copies?
12	A I do.
13	Q And how do you maintain
14	those electronic copies?
15	A The electronic copies for
16	Ms. Stanford was in a file that would
17	either be listed as GS2, II, IS or
18	executive travel.
19	Q And did you keep these
20	invoices in the ordinary course of
21	business?
22	A Yes.
23	Q What did the invoices that
24	Ms. Stanford sent you look like?
25	MS. ROGERS: Objection.

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Page 298 1 LISA SUPERNAUGH 2 identification, as of this date.) 3 Exhibit 27 is a document 0 4 bearing Bates No. 5 NRA-NYAGCOMMDIV-00333592. 6 Do you recognize this 7 document? 8 A I do. 9 0 And what do you recognize it 10 to be? 11 A cover letter to 12 Mr. Powell, our chief of staff. 13 Q Whose letter to Mr. Powell? 14 My letter to Mr. Powell, a 15 cover letter to Mr. Powell. 16 And do you recall why you 17 drafted this cover letter? 18 Α Mr. Powell asked me to pull 19 some documentation together for him. 20 I just did a cover letter for it and 21 signed it. 22 And the cover letter says 23 that attached, you will find a page of bullet points referencing the items in 24 25 the attached in detail. Do you see that?

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#### 1 LISA SUPERNAUGH 2 because I don't know -- this was all my 3 belief. This was not fact that I know 4 anything else about. This was just my 5 thought process that I was asked to 6 provide. 7 So after you provided this Q 8 to Mr. Powell and without revealing any 9 conversations with counsel, did you ever 10 come to learn whether these expenses were related to Ms. Hollow's son's wedding? 1 1 12 MS. ROGERS: Objection. 13 Α I have not. 14 Is it still your belief, Q 15 though, that these expenses were related 16 to Ms. Hallow's son's wedding? 17 MS. ROGERS: Asked and 18 answered. 19 MR. CORRELL: Objection. 20 Again, I'll keep with the Α 21 documentation that I had, seems rather coincidental. 22 23 So other than conversations Q 24 with counsel, have you ever been told 25 that your belief about this was wrong?

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2	MR. CORRELL: Objection.
3	A I have not been told
4	anything about this since this synopsis
5	that I gave to Mr. Powell.
6	Q I'd like to talk now a bit
7	about Mr. Powell.
8	During the time that
9	Mr. Powell was working at the NRA, did
10	you ever work directly for him?
11	A My time was split between
12	him and Mr. Phillips. But, yes, I did
13	work directly for him.
14	Q And what was your role
15	vis-a-vis Mr. Powell?
16	A I was to help when he first
17	came in, onboard him with the nuances of
18	the building, scheduling, that kind of
19	thing, just to help him get acclimated.
20	Q How long did you work for
21	Mr. Powell?
22	A Three years.
23	Q And during that time, were
2 4	you ever responsible for processing
25	expense reimbursements for Mr. Powell?

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Page 306 1 LISA SUPERNAUGH 2 receipts. I would collect those, retain 3 them and put them together for 4 reconciliation. 5 During that time, were there ever occasions when Mr. Powell submitted 6 7 personal expenses to the NRA for 8 reimbursement? 9 MS. ROGERS: Objection. 10 Α For personal expenses, on 1 1 his expense report or on his American 12 Express bill? 13 Q Let's start with his expense 14 report. 15 Α For his expense report, I 16 don't recall any, no. 17 What about his American Q 18 Express? 19 His American Express had Α 20 some personal expenses on it, yes. 21 What sort of personal 22 expenses? 23 There would be possibly 24 things that had been purchased that he 25 used the wrong card for clothing, for

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2	hunt or something like that. And he
3	would reimburse for that; movies on hotel
4	bills, things like that.
5	Q What did you do in those
6	instances?
7	A We would discuss it, that I
8	would let him know that this looks like a
9	personal charge. And he would be
10	accommodating and reimburse that.
11	Q And did he always reimburse
12	those?
13	A As of right now, I believe
14	he was current with all his
15	reimbursements, yes.
16	Q And did you have any role in
17	Mr. Powell's travel for the NRA?
18	A I did.
19	Q And what was your role?
20	A There would be on
21	occasion, Mr. Powell would ask me to make
22	some travel arrangements for him. But he
23	was very self-sufficient and did that all
2 4	on his own mostly.
25	Q On the occasions where you

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2	Q Was it your understanding
3	that Mr. Spray was upset about the
4	arrangement under which the NRA paid for
5	Mr. Powell's rent?
6	MR. CORRELL: Objection.
7	A Based on this e-mail, it
8	seems like that would be a possibility,
9	yes.
10	Q Do you know why he was
11	upset?
12	MR. CORRELL: Objection.
13	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
14	MR. FLEMING: Objection.
15	A I don't.
16	Q Were you ever involved in
17	processing invoices from Ackerman
18	McQueen?
19	A I was.
20	Q When was that?
21	A That was back when I was
22	executive assistant for Mr. Phillips.
23	Q And for how long were you
24	responsible for processing Ackerman
25	McQueen invoices?

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A I don't recall. It would have been when our office assistant switched over to Mr. Reno. He was very capable and accurate in his work. So we put that task over to him.

Q More recently, have you ever been involved in processing invoices for Ackerman?

A Process would not be the word that I would use. Verification of backup and business purpose, that sort of thing.

Q And when was that?

A That probably started 2017.

Q And who asked you to do

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A Mr. Spray asked me to become involved in that again as a liaison with Ackerman McQueen and when the billing came over to check in with those parties and make sure that we have backup for the charges and what the business purpose would have been.

Q Why did he ask you to take

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1 LISA SUPERNAUGH 2 be received. It was up to Mr. Tedrick to 3 review and determine if goods and 4 services had been received. I was just 5 putting the appropriate coding on it, doing the administrative work. He was 6 7 doing the actual review of the invoice 8 with Mr. Phillips. 9 Q And why was that your 10 assumption? 11 If it's on the budget and it 12 was a monthly type fee, say for magazine 13 processing and that sort of thing, and 14 the magazine I had seen come out, I 15 assumed that the goods and services had 16 been received. 17 When did Woody Phillips 18 explain to you what the out-of-pocket 19 expenses were? 20 When I was an executive 21 assistant many years ago and asked, what 22 does this mean, what is out-of-pocket. 23 Q What do you remember about 24 that conversation? 25

Again, it was what I call

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incidentals, things that they needed for projects, that sort of thing, possibly special projects that maybe Mr. Makris was working on or Mr. Tavangar or someone else. It could be anything from travel lunches, travel meals to a lunch with Mr. LaPierre that they sent through. It was a wide range of things. And, again, I never saw what out-of-pocket expenses truly were, actual, until I started doing verification.

Q And when you started doing verification, what did you learn about what out-of-pocket expenses truly were?

A It was very similar to what Mr. Phillips had told me, some additional things, maybe some car service, Ubers; again, Starbucks, things like that, when they were traveling for us, when they were on business for NRA.

Q And I think we can break in just one moment. But before we do, I just want to clarify.

When did Mr. Spray start at

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2	in the treasurer's office. So I don't
3	know the time frame.
4	Q Why did those invoices start
5	coming to you in the treasurer's office?
6	A Because as I mentioned, I
7	believe Mr. Phillips facilitated the
8	contract.
9	Q Are you familiar with an
10	individual named Colleen Gallagher?
11	A I am.
12	Q When did you become aware
13	of who is Colleen Gallagher?
14	A Mr. Powell's spouse.
15	Q And when did you become
16	aware that Ms. Gallagher was Mr. Powell's
17	spouse?
18	A When he introduced her to me
19	as such.
20	Q And were you aware that
21	Ms. Gallagher worked at McKenna during
22	the time that McKenna & Associates was
23	providing services to the NRA?
2 4	A I became aware of it.
25	Q How did you become aware of

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Page 401 1 LISA SUPERNAUGH 2 didn't have any complaints about his 3 behavior? 4 MS. JAMES: Objection. 5 Α I did not make any 6 complaints about his behavior, no. 7 Were you aware of any 8 financial misconduct on Mr. Powell's part 9 during that time? 10 MS. JAMES: Objection. 11 MS. ROGERS: Objection. 12 There were some purchases Α 13 that were questionable. 14 And did you raise those with Q 15 Mr. Powell? 16 I did. Α 17 And what did he do? Q 18 He gave me an answer. Α 19 And would he reimburse -- I Q 20 believe you testified earlier he would 21 reimburse any expenses that you had 22 flagged for him that were personal 23 expenses; correct? 24 Α He reimbursed expenses that 25 would be personal that would be a mistake

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Page 402 1 LISA SUPERNAUGH 2 that was on his card, and that sort of 3 thing. But there were some other 4 purchases that were questionable. 5 Did you raise it with 6 anyone? 7 I raised it with him. Α 8 Anyone else? Q 9 Α Not with anyone else. 10 the question was raised to me after 1 1 submission by financial services. 12 And can you give an example? 0 13 Α The purchase of a Mac 14 computer. 15 0 And when was that? 16 I don't recall the date. 17 Q And do you know what financial services said? 18 19 Financial services wanted to Α 20 know why he was buying a computer for 21 himself on his corporate American Express 22 card and not going through procedure with 23 information services. 24 And did they -- did 0 25 Mr. Powell -- sorry.

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2	Q So Mr. Phillips approved the
3	McKenna invoices?
4	A Mr. Phillips, just as with
5	the other invoices, yes, would review it
6	and be the approver of those invoices,
7	yes.
8	Q And would you provide the
9	invoices to Mr. Powell before giving them
10	to Mr. Phillips?
11	A No.
12	Q What role did Mr. Powell
13	have in the processing of the McKenna
14	invoices, if any?
15	A He had no role in processing
16	the McKenna invoices, to my knowledge.
17	Q And you testified earlier
18	that Ms. Gallagher was Mr. Powell's
19	spouse; correct?
20	A That is how she was
21	introduced to me, yes.
22	Q Do you recall when you first
23	learned that Ms. Gallagher was
2 4	Mr. Powell's spouse?
25	A I'm sorry. You broke up.

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2	This went into executive session. I
3	would have been removed.
4	Q But you received this
5	report; correct?
6	A That report was received,
7	yes.
8	Q Any reason to doubt that
9	this is what happened at the meeting?
10	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
11	A The opinion is, no, there's
12	no reason to doubt that. It's in the
13	minutes of the meeting.
14	Q And what was your I would
15	like to now ask you a few questions about
16	expenses.
17	What was your understanding
18	of the types of expenses of Mr. Powell's
19	that were reimbursable under his
20	employment contract?
21	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
22	A I did not see his employment
23	contract. I was told what he had had
24	been relayed to him that was
25	reimbursable.

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2	Q And what were you told?
3	A His housing, normal
4	reimbursement such as mileage, that sort
5	of thing, his cell phone, relocation
6	expenses.
7	Q And you testified earlier
8	about your role in processing expenses.
9	Do you recall questions
10	about the payment of Mr. Powell's rent?
11	A I did, yes.
12	Q And you testified that you
13	handled Mr. Powell's housing expenses;
14	correct?
15	A I handled Mr. Powell's
16	the processing of his rent invoice, yes.
17	Q And what was your
18	understanding of why the NRA was covering
19	these expenses for Mr. Powell?
20	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
21	A He explained to me that was
22	part of his contract. I did not see his
23	exact contract referencing that or the
24	period of time that it was allowable. So
25	I was on his word.

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2	Q Do you recall that
3	Mr. Powell was living in Michigan?
4	A Did I recall he was living
5	in Michigan?
6	Q Correct.
7	A I know he had a home in
8	Michigan, yes.
9	
10	Q And he was traveling to
	Virginia to work for the NRA?
11	A He was. He was a transient
12	employee, yes.
13	Q And would that be why the
14	NRA would be covering his housing?
15	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
16	A He explained to me that was
17	part of his contract, that they would be
18	covering his housing.
19	Q And Mr. Powell's not the
20	only executive with a special
21	arrangement; correct?
22	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
23	A That is my understanding,
2 4	yes.
25	Q Did you ever pass through

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2	the reimbursement of any expenses you did
3	not think Mr. Powell was entitled to
4	reimbursement for?
5	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
6	A I sent through the American
7	Express bill, that I believe the computer
8	should not have been on that bill.
9	Q Any others?
10	A Not that I could think of at
11	this time.
12	Q Is it fair to say Mr. Powell
13	was relying on you to review his expenses
14	before passing them along?
15	A I'm sorry. Say that again?
16	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
17	Q Is it fair to say Mr. Powell
18	was relying on you to review his expenses
19	before passing them along?
20	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
21	A I would no. That is not
22	fair to say. He was relying on me to do
23	the administrative work of it to put it
24	together.
25	Q And you would review his

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2	Q And what does reasonable and
3	customary mean?
4	MS. ROGERS: Objection.
5	A In my opinion, reasonable
6	and customary would be depending on the
7	geographic area that you're in because
8	certainly, a hotel in New York City is
9	not going to be equivalent to the cost of
10	a hotel in Indianapolis.
11	Q And who would determine if
12	the expense was reasonable?
13	A That would be up to
14	financial services and the CFO for
15	Mr. Powell's expense report to question
16	whether it was reasonable or not.
17	Q And I'm almost done.
18	What did you look for
19	sorry.
20	To what extent sorry.
21	A That's okay.
22	Q You testified earlier that
23	when you raised an issue with an expense,
2 4	Mr. Powell was accommodating and would
25	reimburse it; correct?

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2	A Yes. Things like mistakes
3	of items. For an example, there was a
4	flight that was purchased on the card to
5	I believe Europe, somewhere in Europe for
6	an event he was attending, movies that
7	would have been on hotel bills, that sort
8	of thing, yes.
9	Q And he would reimburse those
10	expenses?
11	A He would, yes.
12	MS. BLOCK: No further
13	questions. Thank you.
14	MS. ROGERS: NRA has a few
15	if nobody else has any.
16	EXAMINATION BY
17	MS. ROGERS:
18	Q We're almost done. I just
19	want to revisit and give you a chance to
20	clarify a few things, if you would like.
21	A Okay.
22	Q Ms. Supernaugh, you
23	testified earlier with the AG that you
2 4	used the application WhatsApp to
25	communicate with Mr. Powell. You recall

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### National Rifle Association Financial Disclosure Questionnaire 2018

### Instructions

Unless a question states otherwise (e.g., "Have you ever ..."), you only need to answer with respect to calendar year 2017.

For purposes of all questions:

- "Entity" means any company, corporation, association, partnership, or sole proprietorship, whether for-profit or non-profit. It specifically includes any professional fundraising firm.
- "NRA Entity" means The NRA Foundation, NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund, NRA Freedom Action Foundation, or NRA Special Contribution Fund d/b/a NRA Whittington Center).
- "Relative" means a spouse, brother or sister (whether whole or half blood), child (whether natural or adopted), grandchild, great-grandchild, or domestic partner, as well as spouses or domestic partners of brothers, sisters, children, grandchildren, and great-children.

If you answer "yes" to any question in this section, please attach details on a separate page, including the nature of the relationship or transaction, the names of persons or entities involved, and the time periods and dollar amounts involved. We will contact you if we need any further information, or if your answers may affect your service as an officer, director, or employee in any way. We will disclose only the minimum information required by law or by the NRA Bylaws.

See affactment A.

### Transactions with NRA Entities and Conflicts of Interest

- 1. Do you or any relative expect to receive, or have you or any relative received in the last three years, any compensation from the NRA or any NRA Entity?
  - Examples would include consulting, legal, or performance fees, or payment for providing any other goods or services to the NRA.
  - This does not include reimbursement of expenses incurred in the course of your duties as an officer or director. It also does not include salaries of officers or former employees.

Yes. Please provide details.

2. Do you or any relative do business with the NRA that was not reported in question 1, or do you or any relative have any relationship with, or financial interest in, any non-NRA entity (whether for-profit or not-for-profit) (e.g., as an owner, officer, director, employee, etc.) that does business with, or receives funds from the NRA or any NRA Entity?

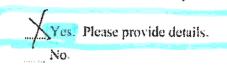
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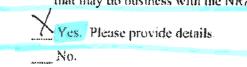
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 Examples would include consulting, legal, or performance fees, or payment for providing any other goods or services to the NRA, if the funds were paid to a business or organization rather than to you personally.

- This would also include transactions in which a non-NRA entity pays the NRA for goods or services. Examples include placement of advertising in NRA magazines or on NRA websites, or leasing exhibit space at the NRA Annual Meetings and Exhibits.
- · Dues and contributions paid to the NRA also should not be reported.



- 3. Do you or any relative have any management, ownership, employment or financial relationship with any non-NRA entity that has (or is seeking to have) a business relationship with or receive funds from the NRA or any NRA Entity?
  - Examples would include being an owner, officer, director, employee, contractor, or subcontractor of a company that provides (or is seeking to provide) goods or services to the NRA, or an officer or director of a club or association that has applied for or received a grant from the NRA Foundation or NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund.
  - This does not include merely being a member of an organization that seeks NRA funding, or other minor relationships that couldn't reasonably lead to any conflict of interest (such as owning a few shares of stock in a company that may do business with the NRA).



- 4. Have you or any relative received, or do you or any relative expect to receive, any gift, gratuity, personal favor, or entertainment with either a retail price or fair market value in excess of \$250 from any person or entity that has or is seeking to have a business relationship with, or receive funds from, NRA or any NRA Entity?
  - Please do not include transactions that occur in the ordinary course of business on the same terms as are generally offered to the public, including standard inclustry and professional discounts.

Yes. Please provide details.

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Yes. Please provide details, including the court or other forum, case number. title and date of the action, and whether any injunction, judgment, decree, or order was entered.

X No.

10. Have you ever been held liable in a civil action involving fraud, embezzlement, fraudulent conversion, or misappropriation of property?

Yes. Please provide details. X No.

- 11. Have you ever, during the bankruptey or receivership of any other corporation, been:
  - An officer, director, trustee or incorporator of that corporation (whether for-profit or non-profit); or
  - A person who controlled or held over 20% of the issued and outstanding common shares, or 20% of any other proprietary, beneficial, or membership interest in that corporation (but only if the corporation was a for-profit corporation)?

Yes. Please provide details.

By my signature below. I affirm that:

- My answers are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I will inform the Secretary's Office if any of my answers change:
- I have received a copy of the NRA's Conflict of Interest and Related Party Transaction Policy;
- I have read and understand that policy and agree to comply with it; and
- I understand that in order to maintain the NRA's federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish its tax-exempt purposes.

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### Joshua Powell

Attachment to National Rifle Association Financial Disclosure Questionnaire 2018

### Questions 1 and 2: Transactions with NRA Entities and Conflicts of Interest

I have been a full-time employee of the National Rifle Association of America since May 2016. My title is Chief of Staff and Executive Director of General Operations. I received relocation benefits of approximately \$11,000 in 2016. The NRA has also purchased computer and cell phone accessories for my use in the amount \$3,172.59.

I have two relatives involved with businesses that receive funds from the NRA. My father, Jim Powell, owns Jim Powell Advertising Photography, which was engaged by Ackerman McQueen to photograph certain events that were billed to the NRA in 2017 and 2018. Jim Powell Photography invoiced the NRA directly for similar services in 2018.

Separately, my wife, Colleen Gallagher is a 1099 subcontractor for McKenna & Associates, a consulting firm that serves the NRA.

Details of payments are as follows:

Name of Person / Relationship	Names of Entities involved	Time period	Dollar Amount
Colleen Gallagher	The NRA has a contract with McKenna & Associates, and they provided consulting services in 2017 and 2018 while my wife was a 1099 subcontractor.	2017	\$878,828.09
(Wife)		Jun. 2018 YTD	\$1,562,007.97
Jim Powell (Father)	Jim Powell invoiced the NRA for photography services.	2018	\$9,200.00
Jim Powell	Ackerman McQueen engaged Jim Powell to photograph events. The following amounts were invoiced by Ackerman to the NRA in connection with this work:	2017	\$40,597.90
(Father)		2018	\$52,766.50

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Following up on your conversation with Andrew, we need you to confirm by reply email 1) the Association's D&O insurance (and E&O once business starts to operate) and 2) the engagement of Advantage Insurance as an independent advisor on the affinity insurance partner solution. Confirmation of these items are necessary for the Lexington & Concord board to start operating and the McKenna team to proceed with developing the partner arrangements that they will ultimately decide on/sign agreements for.

- 1. Lexington & Concord D&O Insurance: We need this as soon as possible. Recently, the McKenna team started to take the lead on getting potential D&O options because we could not afford to have the partner conversations stall and we understood it was not getting addressed by the Association. After your conversation with Andrew and agreement to help, can you lead this effort with your risk team to complete the required D&O insurance applications for Lexington and Concord coverage? Emily Cummins previously forwarded to John Frazer and Stefan, the application from Beecher Carlson to get this coverage placed. The McKenna also found an additional option through HUB International. We have had preliminary conversations with Travis McElvany, an EVP with HUB International, who has several firearms manufactures as clients and has helped them secure this type of coverage. We understand they just participated in a competitive process for D&O insurance for Brownells. I will forward you and Frazer an email from Travis with the application so that your team can work directly with them to acquire an alternate bid. Please let us know when a decision can be made and insurance put in place so we can update the Lexington & Concord Board members and our deal timeline appropriately.
- 2. Appointment of Independent Insurance Advisor: We understand you and Andrew discussed either bringing Advantage Insurance onboard or having you provide an alternate option that can step in quickly. Please confirm via your email response that you have an alternate or that you want the Association to proceed with engaging Advantage Insurance. The McKenna team will help facilitate getting the Advisor contracted. Assuming you are agreeing to Advantage Insurance, we need your confirmation that the McKenna team has provided you the answers needed to address your business related questions and sign off. We understand that the consulting agreement between the Association and Advantage has been finalized with the Association's internal and external legal counsel (Morgan Lewis). We are ready to send the current draft back to Advantage for their review and approval.

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Regards, Seth

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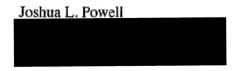
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January 30, 2020



Dear Mr. Powell:

This letter informs you that effective immediately, the NRA has terminated your employment for cause pursuant to the Agreement Regarding Termination of Employment, Release, Confidentiality and Non-Disparagement executed May 6, 2018 (the "Termination Agreement"). Cause for termination includes, but is not limited to:

- Intentional and willful misconduct that includes misappropriation of NRA funds and failure to disclose documents relevant to ongoing legal matters;
- Breach of your duties of loyalty and confidentiality to the NRA as a consequence of the foregoing, and as a consequence of unauthorized communications with media outlets regarding confidential NRA matters; and
- Breach of the Confidentiality Agreement executed June 7, 2016 (the "Confidentiality Agreement") (ratified pursuant to the "Entire Agreement" clause of the Termination Agreement).

You will receive your full salary and benefits through today. Your final pay will be deposited directly on the next scheduled pay date (February 6, 2020).

Information regarding continuation of your health benefits under COBRA will be mailed to you at the address on file in the payroll system. The mailing will also include information regarding your 401(k), life insurance conversion, and long-term disability options. There are deadlines for submission of paperwork to continue coverage, so please pay close attention to the timeframes outlined in these forms.

All NRA property should be returned to my attention immediately, including but not limited to electronics, cell phones, security badges, and keys. Please make arrangements to surrender these items in person, by express delivery, or through your counsel.

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As noted in prior correspondence, the NRA's investigation revealed that you improperly charged approximately \$58,203.11 to the Association. A final itemized list of such charges will be provided under separate cover, along with payment instructions.

We remind you that important legal obligations remain in place after the end of your employment. In particular, the following items require your compliance:

- Confidentiality. Under the Termination Agreement, you agreed to maintain the
  confidentiality of Confidential Information, as described in that agreement. In
  addition, pursuant to the Confidentiality Agreement, you may not "disclose all or any
  part of 'NRA Information," as defined therein, "to any person . . . for any reason or
  purpose whatsoever without the express authorization and consent of the NRA."
  - As previously emphasized, the NRA will not interpret these provisions to bar you from giving truthful testimony, responding to a lawful subpoena, or otherwise making disclosures compelled by law. However, we do expect that as a former agent and fiduciary of the Association with continuing duties of loyalty, you will promptly inform us of any demand for Confidential Information or NRA Information (unless expressly prohibited by law), cooperate with our counsel in protecting the NRA's privileges, and disclose only such Confidential Information or NRA Information as your counsel advises is legally required after (1) a motion for a protective order, motion to quash and/or other motion filed to prevent the production or disclosure of Confidential Information or NRA Information has been denied or is not made; or (2) the NRA consents to the disclosure in writing. Due to your involvement in NRA legal matters, we know you are well aware of the nature and importance of attorney-client privilege, which may only be waived by the NRA.
- Non-disparagement. Under the Termination Agreement, you have agreed "not to disparage or make any disparaging remark or send to any person any disparaging communication concerning the Released Parties [as defined in the Termination Agreement]." You have also agreed to enforce the same requirement upon your family members.
- Document Preservation. You must also continue to comply with all NRA document preservation requirements, and we will communicate further with your attorney in that regard.

These duties are not exclusive of any duties that may exist under statutory or common law, and the NRA reserves all rights it may have thereunder.

Again, we regret the necessity of taking this action. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John C. Frazer

Secretary and General Counsel