

BLACK AMERICA'S  
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 POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

July 30, 1998

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Dear Mr. Dodson:

I hope the following information addresses the concerns stated in your memorandum dated July 1, 1998. Per our discussion, the following information supplements the information previously provided to your area that documents how we attempt to satisfy the "best efforts" requirements.

- Follow-Up Requests Within 30 Days

On a monthly basis, a report is generated that list all contributors who have contributed over \$200 at the completion of the month. This report is then reviewed and any contributors identified who did not provide the FEC required information are identified. A written follow-up request is then sent to the contributors who provided the incomplete information. Due to the recent increase in the number of contributors who cause this situation, we are currently exploring options to automate this process because the current process is quite manual.

- Pre-Addressed Envelope

A pre-addressed envelope is provided along with all follow-up requests for information. Please see the pre-addressed envelope included with this respond. In cases where postcards are sent for follow-up requests, the postcards are pre-addressed.

- File Amendments

As we file on a quarterly basis (bi-annually in nonelection years), most of the information obtained from our follow-up requests is reported during the regularly scheduled report as oppose to requiring an alternate reporting mechanism. For information obtained from follow-up requests that are received subsequent to the related reporting date, our procedures are established to report this information in a memo schedule A with the next regularly scheduled report. To ensure compliance, we are currently refining our procedures to ensure we are effectively and efficiently filing memo schedule As to report this data.

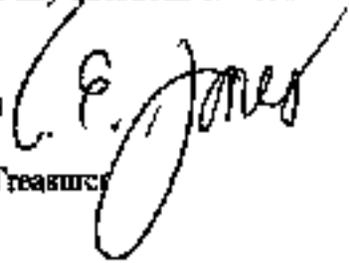
- Solicitation

See the attached documentation, which serves, as an example of our solicitation material. We believe this item is in compliance with the "best efforts" standard, however, please review and determine if this is the case.

If you have any questions or need more information, please free to contact me at (202) 785-9619.

C. E. Jones

Assistant Treasurer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. E. Jones". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "J" and "E".

# Honorable Alan L. Keyes, Ph.D.

~Republican Presidential Candidate 1996~  
~Maryland Republican U.S. Senate Nominee (1988 & 1992)~  
~Former United Nations Special Ambassador~  
~Former U.S. Vice Consul in India~

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The Washington Times

NATION

## Black conservative PAC celebrates growing appeal of family values

By Jennifer Harper  
THE WASHINGTON TIMES

Black conservatives last night affirmed the traditional values based on faith, character and self-reliance.

At its biannual awards dinner, Black America's Political Action Committee (BAMPAC) celebrated its solidarity, leadership and a public response that has surprised even director Alvin Williams.

"We promote renewed reverence for God and country, a belief that human life is sacred, a commitment to strong families and communities and a respect for ex-

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— BAMPAC director Alvin Williams

cellence in education," he said. These values have "served the black community throughout history."

"Our mission is about educating people. It's about bringing new people into the fold," Mr. Williams said. "And it's really taken off."

The group, founded four years ago by former Republican pres-

idential candidate Alan Keyes, has tripled in size each year and now counts 43,000 members nationwide. Last year they raised funds for 10 political candidates in nine states.

Membership includes blacks, Hispanics and whites. The group does not have a separatist agenda, Mr. Williams said.

Last night's dinner speakers included Republican National Committee Chairman Jim Nicholson and Rep. J.C. Watts, Oklahoma Republican, who received one of eight awards the group gave for political and civic leadership.

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"The black community is no longer a monolithic society," Mr. Williams said. "Eight years ago, contemplating something like welfare reform would have been political suicide. That's coming to an end."

Dear Conservative Republican Leader:

We are already making a difference. But we need your help to win.

That's why I ask you to please accept the enclosed Advisory Board Membership Card with my phone number and embossed with your name.

With your help, I aim to make American political history in this election year.

If you saw me on TV speaking at the Republican National Convention in San Diego, or saw me on ABC's Nightline, NBC's Today Show, the CBS Morning News or CNN's Larry King Live, you already know I'm a principled and outspoken black conservative who's not afraid to fight the liberal establishment.

That's why I founded an exciting conservative organization that promises to end the liberal monopoly on black voters and return them to the party of Abraham Lincoln.

It is called Black America's Political Action Committee (BAMPAC). And because of your past support of conservative Republican causes, I'd like to nominate you to serve as a member

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of our National Advisory Board.

To accept your nomination, please sign, date, and return the enclosed REPLY to me in the next few days. Then carry your BAMPAC Advisory Board Membership Card with you so you'll have my phone number at your fingertips.

Please don't let the week go by without giving me an answer -  
- whatever your decision.

With leadership coming from conservative Republicans like you, I honestly believe this grass roots organization has a real chance to change American politics for decades to come in a way that other conservative organizations cannot.

I'm sure you've shared my dismay that liberal Democrats have a monopoly on black voters. The 1996 presidential election was no exception. Black voters once again supported Bill Clinton overwhelmingly, giving him 88% of their ballots.

Worse, all of the black members of the United States Congress are liberals, except for one. These liberal black Congressman push the liberal social and economic agenda.

The one exception is conservative Republican J.C. Watts of Oklahoma, whom BAMPAC helped win election in 1994 and re-election in 1996.

As the only black Republican Congressman, J.C. Watts is a powerful conservative role model for black voters. He shows black voters that there is a conservative alternative.

I think you'll agree that the GOP could use more principled conservatives in its ranks like J.C. Watts. I think you'll also agree we Republicans should reach out to black voters and welcome them to the party of Abraham Lincoln.

Recruiting black voters to the GOP could help us win the presidency and widen our slim majorities in Congress! Indeed, having more black voters support the GOP could help us keep our Republican majorities in Congress for decades to come!

Mind you, I won't claim that we conservative Republicans will get a majority of the black vote. But even if we take 5% or 10% away from the liberals and add it to our side, it could tip the balance for us in close races.

My goodness...that prospect must alarm every liberal leader from Jesse Jackson to Bill Clinton. And worry them it should. Having 10% of black voters switch their votes to the GOP could rock their world.

Polls repeatedly show that a third or more of black Americans consider themselves to be conservative. The problem for us is that black voters' conservative views don't translate into conservative Republican votes.

That's why I founded BAMPAC and why I'm asking you to help me recruit black voters by joining our Advisory Board. You understand what will happen when more black conservatives start voting for Republicans: The liberal New Deal coalition will be dead.

That's what makes black conservatives like Congressman Watts -- and BAMPAC -- such a threat to the liberal Democrats. As a black-led group, we are recruiting black voters where other conservative organizations and the GOP itself cannot.

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Even the powerful -- and liberal -- NEW YORK TIMES newspaper has taken notice, reporting that our group is "already marked as a comer by political handicappers."

And BUSINESS WEEK magazine says: "The hottest new political action committee [BAMPAC] is devoted to backing black conservatives."

BAMPAC has already met with success with the election of Congressman J.C. Watts. And our support helped two more black conservatives win statewide office: Colorado Secretary of State Vikki Buckley and Ohio State Treasurer Ken Blackwell.

BAMPAC intends to add many more black conservatives to Republican ranks. But for BAMPAC to be effective recruiting black voters, I must have grass roots support from my fellow conservative Republican leaders like you. That's why I'm asking you to become a member of our National Advisory Board.

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In your role as an Advisor, I may ask for your advice on which liberals we should be campaigning to defeat. Or, with the help of BAMPAC, maybe you will want to run for office.

As an Advisor, I'll also ask you for one more thing -- your financial support. Will you please send BAMPAC your check for \$25, \$50, \$100, or even \$500 or more today?

I serve as an unpaid volunteer chairman. But unlike billionaire politician Ross Perot, I'm not rich. I don't have the funds to support this organization all by myself. But I feel I have something better. I have YOU. You understand BAMPAC'S potential to change American politics.

So now, while you are thinking about it, will you please make out your check for at least \$25 to "Black America's PAC" to join our National Advisory Board?

Under federal law, BAMPAC can accept contributions from individuals of up to \$5,000. With Bill Clinton in the White House, I can't think of a better way a conservative can invest \$5,000 in America's political future. So if you can send \$5,000, I hope you will do so.

But believe me, \$25, \$50, \$100, or \$500 will be much appreciated. Frankly, if you accept my invitation to become an advisor, I'm counting on you to send at least \$25.

But if for some reason you don't believe the party of Abraham Lincoln should recruit black voters, then please return your Advisory Board Membership Card. I won't like it because we need your help. But we will just have to do the best we can without you.

But ask yourself this: If BAMPAC doesn't recruit black voters to the GOP, who will? And isn't BAMPAC worth your contribution of \$25 or even \$50? I hope you say YES!!

Thank you for considering my invitation this week. I hope you'll decide to become a BAMPAC Advisory Board Member and keep your embossed membership card with my phone number.

Sincerely,



Alan L. Keyes  
Volunteer Chairman

P.S. As the newspaper article I reprinted for you at the start of this letter reports, even Jim Nicholson, the chairman of the Republican National Committee, attended and spoke at our awards dinner in Washington, D.C., last fall. As busy as Jim is, he made time to appear at our BAMPAC event!

Now I know that as a Republican leader in your community, you, like Jim, get called upon for help from many sources. And you can't say "yes" to everybody.

But please ask yourself one question: If BAMPAC doesn't recruit black voters to the GOP in 1998, who will?

And I hope you'll answer "yes, Alan!" BAMPAC can count on me for a renewal contribution of at least \$25. I also hope you'll be proud to carry your Advisory Board Membership Card with you to show you are a part of our news-making work.

P.P.S. At some point, I hope that you and I have the opportunity to meet one another. Until then, I've printed a short biography on the back of your invitation to help introduce myself.



Meet Alan L. Keyes  
Volunteer National Chairman

**CITIZEN ACTION / 1989-Present**

- \*Founding Chairman, Black America's PAC (1993)
- \*1989-1991; President of Citizens Against Government Waste (CAGW)
- \*Founder of CAGW's National Taxpayer's Action Day

**EDUCATION / 1991**

- \*Interim President of Alabama A&M University

**POLITICS**

- \*Twice nominated for the United States Senate
- \*Dear Abby's column featured Keyes' speech to the 1992 Republican National Convention as the convention's best

**DIPLOMACY / 1981-1987**

- \*Member, State Department Policy Planning Staff
- \*Ambassador to the UN Economic and Social Council
- \*Asst. Sec. of State for International Organizations
- \*U.S. Vice Consul in India

**COMMUNICATION**

- \*Daily radio talk show host (680 AM) in Baltimore (1994)
- \*Has appeared on: ABC's *Nightline*, NBC's *Today Show*, CBS *Morning News*, PBS' *Maunel-Lehrer*, CNN's *Crossfire*, CNN's *Larry King Live*
- \*Featured in the PBS specials: *Days of Rage* (1989), *Black American Conservatism* (1991), *The Issue is Race* (1992)
- \*Writings include: a nationally syndicated newspaper column, articles for *Policy Review* and *The Wall Street Journal*, and a book, **MASTERS OF THE DREAM**

**PERSONAL**

- \*Husband, and father of three young children
- \*Harvard, Ph.D.
- \*Is an amateur trombonist and has performed as a classical concert vocalist

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Advisory Board Reply

Alan, I'm accepting my BAMPAC Advisory Board Membership card because I want to help you recruit black voters for conservatism. I'm enclosing my contribution check made payable to Black America's Political Action Committee for:

\$25 \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000 \_\_\_\_\_ \$5,000 \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \$ \_\_\_\_\_

No Alan, I'm not joining your advisory board. I'm returning my card instead.

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