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August 8, 1975

District Director
Internal Revenue Service
c/o Chief, Technical Staff
Attention Exempt Organizations
Room 6019
Federal Office Building
550 Main Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a completed form 1023 which I am submitting on behalf of my client, Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc. The application seeks a tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code together with a determination that this organization is a non-private foundation pursuant to Section 509(a)(1) and Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). An extended advance ruling is requested.

I. STATEMENT ON QUALIFICATION FOR STATUS UNDER SECTION 501(c)(3)

Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc. is a membership organization founded in February 1975 and incorporated pursuant to the Indiana Not-for-Profit Corporation Act of 1971 on April 25, 1975. The organization as presently constituted is made up of journalists, professors of journalism, and other interested persons. It is organized for the purpose of providing educational services to these people and other members

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of the public in order to improve the field of investigative journalism. It is felt that this purpose qualifies under Section 501(c)(3) as being both educational and literary. An organization known as the Fund for Investigative Journalism, which is concerned with the same field, has achieved 501(c)(3) status.

It is the intention of IRE to obtain its income from gifts and donations from interested foundations, newspaper publishers, contributions from other citizens, and membership dues and fees. The principal activities in which the organization intends to engage include the holding of seminars on subjects of interest in the field of investigative journalism, the publication of a newsletter and other materials dealing with investigative journalism, and the creation and management of a research library containing materials related to this field. The board of directors is made up of members of the public presently engaged in newspaper work or in teaching journalism.

IRE meets the "organizational test" as set forth in Regulations §1.501(c)(3)-1(b). Section 2.01 of its Articles of Incorporation limits the organization to exempt purposes. Similarly, Sections 2.02 and 2.03 of its Articles specify powers permissible under these regulations and specifically exclude the exercise of other powers inconsistent with the regulations. There is no purpose provided which is broader than allowed under Section 501(c)(3). Political and legislative activities are specifically excluded under Section 2.03(d)(ii) of the Articles. Section 2.03 clause (c) provides for a distribution of assets upon dissolution consistent with the requirements of the above-cited regulations.

It is felt this organization will comply with the operational tests set forth in Regulations §1.501(c)(3)-1(c). Its activities as set forth in the Articles, bylaws and other documents are not such as to be construed as constituting an "action" organization.

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This organization is not formed nor will it be run for the benefit of private individuals (See Articles, Section 2.03 clauses a, b and d.) To the extent that the activities of this organization result in improvement of the profession of investigative journalism this will serve both to educate the public and those participating and at the same time will improve the "literary" quality of journalism. The activities of the organization are educational within the definition set forth in Regulations §1.501(c)(3)-1(d)(3)(a) which refers to "the instruction or training of the individual for the purpose of improving or developing his capabilities" as well as subparagraph b thereof which relates to "the instruction of the public on subjects useful to the individual and beneficial to the community." It is felt that working journalists and professors will become more proficient in their field because of the activities of this organization and that additionally those members of the public who take an interest in this field or who merely read the work of investigative journalists will be likewise benefitted by the services provided. Particular attention is drawn to example 2 under Regulations §1.501(c)(3)-1(d)(3) which cited as an example of a proper activity "an organization whose activities consist of presenting public discussion groups, forums, panels, lectures or other similar programs. . . ." This is to be one of the main activities of this organization.

The Service's attention is also invited to the following Revenue Rulings:

Rev. Rul. 71-506. This ruling is the one most on point. It deals with a membership organization composed of heating and air conditioning engineers and people otherwise interested in that field. The organization limited membership to persons with substantial experience in the field. Its principal activity consisted of research carried

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on by its own staff. Similarly, IRE intends to produce and publish materials related to the field of its concern. As with IRE the society referred to in Rev. Rul. 71-506 provided its information to the public and maintained a library related to its field. As with IRE, the library was limited to members and others "seriously interested" in the field. The organization discussed in Rev. Rul. 71-506 reported on the results of its research at meetings of the society and through publications. These are among the central activities proposed for IRE. As with the organization under discussion, IRE does not intend to engage in activities "directed at or concerned with the protection or promotion of the professional practice or business interests of any of the professions represented by its membership." This organization does not intend to act as a hiring hall for its members nor to lobby with employers for higher pay or benefits for its members nor to otherwise engage in activities which might be construed as "public relations" on behalf of the membership. As with the organization discussed in Rev. Rul. 71-506, it is felt that IRE is educational in that its activities include "the instruction of the public on subjects useful to the individual and beneficial to the community," i.e. on the techniques and methods of investigative journalism. As with the organization in Rev. Rul. 71-506, IRE will support itself from membership dues and fees, receipts from publications (and other services) and contributions.

Rev. Rul. 75-196. In this ruling the Service held qualified under section 501(c)(3) an organization whose central focus was the provision of a law library, access to which was limited to members of a local bar association, their designees and others actively engaged in the practice of law or the study

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thereof. The research library is a central service to be provided by IRE and will not be limited in its use except insofar as there will be the requirement of serious interest on the part of users. This would appear to be consistent with Rev. Rul. 75-196 and authorities cited therein.

Rev. Rul. 67-4. In this ruling, an organization principally concerned with encouraging scientific research with relationship to certain physical and mental disorders and disseminating information thereabout was found to be qualified under Section 501(c)(3). The goals of the organization were accomplished by publishing a journal containing abstracts of current information from medical and scientific publications. Journals were sold below cost. This activity was construed to be educational because of the contents of the material, the method of preparation, the method of distribution of the materials and the fact that the distribution was distinguishable from "ordinary commercial publishing practices." Similarly the newsletter and publications of IRE will be subsidized when possible and will provide ready access to examples of quality journalism as well as to other materials meant to educate readers.

II. STATUS AS A NON-PRIVATE FOUNDATION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

IRE is seeking an extended advance ruling that it qualifies as a Non-Private Foundation pursuant to the above-mentioned sections on the basis that under the "facts and circumstances test" established pursuant to Regulations §1.170A-9(e)(3) it will "normally receive a substantial part of its support from

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governmental units or from direct or indirect contributions from the general public," and is "in the nature of a 'publicly supported organization'" considering the factors described in said subparagraph (3).

In light of the fact that dues will be collected and that small contributions can be expected from publishers and other interested individuals, this organization should be able to "normally" obtain at least 10% of its total support from the public as defined by the regulations. In addition, it should be pointed out that due to the provision for dues and the program for soliciting funds from publishers, it is fair to conclude that there will be "continuous and bonafide" programs for attracting public support. As is noted in Regulations §1.170A-9(e)(3)(ii), IRE hopes that consideration will be given to the fact that in the early years of its existence the scope of the solicitation will be limited to persons or organizations considered most likely to provide "seed money" which will be used to carry out the activities of the organization and also to expand the solicitation program.

With reference to the tests set forth in Regulations §1.170A-9(e)(3), it is pointed out that this organization intends to contact hundreds of journalists who are potential dues-paying members together with a substantial percentage of the many publishers involved in the newspaper and magazine business in this country. The solicitation of publishers will commence in the immediate future - a list of those potentially interested has been prepared. They will be contacted by members of IRE's Board. In addition, there will be continued solicitation of funds from foundations beyond the twenty-four already contacted.

No member of the Board itself has been solicited for a donation other than for a commitment to pay dues. In addition, the bylaws of the organization as attached hereto indicate that clear and precise provision has been made for replacing the original board of directors with elected members from within the membership of the organization. This

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is meant to insure its representative character. The nature of the public support of this organization is perhaps best indicated by the fact that each and every one of the members of the present board of directors has "special knowledge" and expertise in the area of question. Most of them have been officially recognized for their accomplishments in the field through the awarding of Pulitzer prizes and other awards. The dues level will be set at a point sufficiently low in light of the relatively modest incomes received by journalists. Solicitation will be directed towards all journalists who might reasonably be anticipated to be interested in joining the organization. It is felt that in light of the proposed activities of this organization and in light of the fact that there is no analogous competing organization known, it should have a broad appeal to persons having an interest in investigative journalism.

With the sole exception of restricting the library and other benefits to seriously interested persons, the services of this organization will be available to the public on a continuing basis. These will include scholarly studies to be conducted.

IRE would like to note that in its initial years, it may be necessary to obtain some "unusual grant or grants" in order to undertake full-scale operations. It is felt that any such grants would comply with the provisions set forth in Regulations §1.170A-9(e)(6)(ii).

It seems fair to conclude that this organization will comply with the "basic consideration" set forth in Regulations §1.170A-9(e)(5)(ii): it has an organizational structure and proposed programs together with a method of operation which should be such as to attract support from the general public interested in this field as well as from public charities. This conclusion is buttressed by the wide-spread interest in investigative journalism currently being felt in this country.

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Should there be any need for additional information or comment beyond that supplied herein and in the attached application and documents, I stand prepared to assist.

Respectfully,



Edward O. DeLaney

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Enclosures

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August 8, 1975

**District Director
Internal Revenue Service
New Federal Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

WRITTEN DECLARATION

Dear Sir:

This letter constitutes my written declaration as an attorney for Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc. that the attached copies of the Bylaws of said organization are hereby certified as complete and accurate copies of the originals thereof.

Yours truly,

Edward O. DeLaney

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Attachment

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Power of Attorney
(See the separate instructions for Forms 2848 and 2848-D.)

Name, address including ZIP code, and identifying number of taxpayer(s)

Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc. (application for
307 North Pennsylvania Street number pending)
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

hereby appoints (Name, address including ZIP code, and telephone number of appointee(s))

Edward O. DeLaney, Esquire
c/o Barnes, Hickam, Pantzer & Boyd
1313 Merchants Bank Building
Indianapolis, Indiana
(317)638-1313

as attorney-in-fact to represent the taxpayer(s) before any office of the Internal Revenue Service with respect to the following Internal Revenue tax matters (specify the type(s) of tax and year(s) or period(s)):

All income tax matters including without limitation the representation of the above in regard to its Application for Recognition of Exemption (Form 1023) for each taxable year to January 30, 1980.

Said attorney-in-fact (~~as attorney-in-fact~~) shall, subject to revocation, have authority to receive confidential information and full power to perform on behalf of the taxpayer(s) the following acts with respect to the above tax matters:

(Strike through any of the following which are not granted.)

To receive, but not to endorse and collect, checks in payment of any refund of Internal Revenue taxes, penalties, or interest.

To execute waivers (including offers of waivers) of restrictions on assessment or collection of deficiencies in tax and waivers of notice of disallowance of a claim for credit or refund.

To execute consents extending the statutory period for assessment or collection of taxes.

To execute closing agreements under section 7121 of the Internal Revenue Code.

To delegate authority or to substitute another representative.

Other acts (specify)

Copies of notices and other written communications addressed to the taxpayer(s) in proceedings involving the above matters should be sent to (Name, address including ZIP code, and telephone number):

Harley Bierce, Chairman Executive Committee
and 307 North Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
(317)633-9247

This power of attorney revokes all prior powers of attorney and tax information authorizations on file with the same Internal Revenue office with respect to the same matters and years or periods covered by this instrument, except the following:

Not applicable

(Specify to whom granted, date, and address including ZIP code, or refer to attached copies of prior powers and authorizations)

Signature of or for taxpayer(s)

If signed by a corporate officer, partner, or fiduciary on behalf of the taxpayer, I certify that I have the authority to execute this power of attorney on behalf of the taxpayer.

X Harley R. Bierce Chairman, Executive Committee 7/17/75
(Signature) (Title, if applicable) (Date)

(Signature) (Title, if applicable) (Date)

If the power of attorney is granted to an attorney, certified public accountant, or enrolled agent, this declaration must be completed.

I declare that I am not currently under suspension or disbarment from practice before the Internal Revenue Service, and that:

I am a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the jurisdiction indicated below; ~~or~~

~~I am duly qualified to practice as a certified public accountant in the jurisdiction indicated below; or~~

~~I am enrolled as an agent pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Department Circular No. 230.~~

Designation (Attorney, C.P.A., or Agent)	Jurisdiction (State, etc.) or Enrollment Card Number	Signature	Date
Attorney	Indiana	Edward O. Leoney	7-18-75

If the power of attorney is granted to a person other than an attorney, certified public accountant, or enrolled agent, it must be witnessed or notarized below.

The person(s) signing as or for the taxpayer(s): (Check and complete one.)

☐ is/are known to and signed in the presence of the two disinterested witnesses whose signatures appear here:

(Signature of Witness)

(Date)

(Signature of Witness)

(Date)

☐ appeared this day before a notary public and acknowledged this power of attorney as his/her/their voluntary act and deed.

(Signature of Notary)

(Date)

NOTARIAL SEAL
(If required)

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
**CONSENT FIXING PERIOD OF LIMITATION
UPON ASSESSMENT OF TAX UNDER SECTION
4940 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE**
(See instruction 2 of Part IV—Form 1023 instructions.)

TO BE USED
WITH FORM
1023 ONLY.
SUBMIT IN
DUPLICATE.

Pursuant to section 6501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and as part of a request submitted with Form 1023, that the within designated organization be treated as a publicly supported organization within the meaning of section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) or (vi) or section 509(a)(2) during an extended advance ruling period,

Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.

(Name of organization)

307 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

(Number, street, city or town, State and ZIP code)

District Director

and the

consent and agree as follows:

The period of limitation upon assessment of the tax imposed under section 4940 of the Code for any taxable year within the advance ruling period as extended shall not expire prior to one year from the date of expiration of the time prescribed by law for the assessment of a deficiency for the last taxable year within the advance ruling period, as extended, to wit (check one)—

☒ **First taxable year at least 8 months:** The period of limitations for the first 5 taxable years shall extend 8 years, 4 months, 15 days beyond the end of the first taxable year.

☐ **First taxable year less than 8 months:** The period of limitations for the first 6 taxable years shall extend 9 years, 4 months, 15 days beyond the end of the first taxable year,

except that if a notice of deficiency in tax for any such years is sent to the organization before expiration of such period, the time for making an assessment shall be further extended for the period in which the making of an assessment is prohibited and for 60 days thereafter.

Ending date of first taxable year: December 30, 1975

NAME OF ORGANIZATION

DATE

Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.

7-17-75

OFFICER OR TRUSTEE HAVING AUTHORITY TO SIGN

X SIGNATURE ►

DISTRICT DIRECTOR

DATE

BY ►

FOR CLEAR COPY ON ALL PARTS TYPEWRITE OR PRINT WITH BALL POINT PEN—PRESS FIRMLY
(See Instructions on Reverse)

FORM SS-4 (3-69)
PART 1
U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

1. NAME (TRUE name as distinguished from TRADE name.)

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

2. TRADE NAME, IF ANY (Enter name under which business is operated, if different from item 1.)

Not applicable

3. ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS (No. and Street, City, State, Zip Code)

307 N. Penn. St., Indpls, Ind. 46204

4. COUNTY OF BUSINESS LOCATION

Marion

5. ORGANIZATION
Check Type

☐ Individual ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation
☐ Governmental ☐ Nonprofit Organization
☐ (See Instr. 5) ☒ (See Instr. 5)

Other (specify e.g. estate, trust, etc.)

6. Ending Month of Accounting year

7. REASON FOR APPLYING (If "other" specify such as "Corporate structure change," "Acquired by gift or trust," etc.)

☒ Started ☐ Purchased going business ☐ Other

8. Date you acquired or started business (Mo., day, year)

4-25-75

9. First date you paid or will pay wages (Mo., day, year)

10. NATURE OF BUSINESS (See Instructions)

literary, educational -journalism

11. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES—
IF "NONE" ENTER "0"

Non-agricultural **-0-** Agricultural **-0-**

12. If nature of business is MANUFACTURING, list in order of their importance the principal products manufactured and the estimated percentage of the total value of all products which each represents.

Not applicable %

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13. Do you operate more than one place of business? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," attach a list showing for each separate establishment:

a. Name and address.

b. Nature of business

c. Number of employees.

14. To whom do you sell most of your products or services?

☐ Business establishments ☐ General public ☒ Other (Specify)

Reporters, editors and general public

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FORM SS-4 (3-69)
PART 2

DO NOT DETACH ANY PART
OF THIS FORM. SEND ALL COPIES TO
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

PLEASE LEAVE BLANK

1. NAME (TRUE name as distinguished from TRADE name.)

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

2. TRADE NAME, IF ANY (Enter name under which business is operated, if different from item 1.)

Not applicable

3. ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS (No. and Street)

307 North Pennsylvania Street

(City, State, Zip Code)

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

4. COUNTY OF BUSINESS LOCATION

Marion

5. ORGANIZATION
Check Type

☐ Individual ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation
☐ Governmental ☐ Nonprofit Organization
☐ (See Instr. 5) ☒ (See Instr. 5)

Other (specify e.g. estate, trust, etc.)

6. Ending Month of Accounting year

December

7. REASON FOR APPLYING (If "other" specify such as "Corporate structure change," "Acquired by gift or trust," etc.)

☒ Started ☐ Purchased going business ☐ Other

8. Date you acquired or started business (Mo., day, year)

4-25-75

9. First date you paid or will pay wages (Mo., day, year)

10. NATURE OF BUSINESS (See Instructions)

11. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES—
IF "NONE" ENTER "0"

Non-agricultural Agricultural

12. Have you ever applied for an identification number for this or any other business? ☒ No ☐ Yes

If "Yes," enter name and trade name (if any). Also enter the approximate date, city, and state where you first applied and previous number if known.

DATE

8-8-75

SIGNATURE

Edward Delaney

TITLE

Attorney for I.R.E.

Application for Recognition of Exemption**Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code**To be filed in the District
in which the organization
has its principal office or
place of business.

This application, when properly completed, shall constitute the notice required under section 508(a) of the Internal Revenue Code in order that organizations may be treated as described in section 501(c)(3) of the code, and the notice under section 508(b) appropriate to those organizations claiming not to be private foundations within the meaning of section 509(a).

Part I.—Identification (See instructions)**1** Full name of organization

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

2 Employer identification number
(If none, attach Form SS-4)

(Form SS-4 attached)

3(a) Address (number and street)

307 North Pennsylvania Street

3(b) City or town, State and ZIP code

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

4 Name and phone number of person to be contacted

Atty. Edward O. DeLaney 317-638-1313

5 Month the annual accounting period
ends

December

6 Date incorporated or formed

April 25, 1975

7 Activity Codes (see instructions)

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Part II.—Organizational Documents (See instructions)

- 1** Attach a conformed copy of the organization's creating instruments (articles of incorporation, constitution, articles of association, deed of trust, etc.).
- 2** Attach a conformed copy of the organization's by-laws or other rules for its operation.
- 3** If the organization does not have a creating instrument, check here (See instructions) ☐

Part III.—Activities and Operational Information (See instructions)

- 1** What are or will be the organization's sources of financial support? List in order of magnitude. If a portion of the receipts is or will be derived from the earnings of patents, copyrights, or other assets (excluding stock, bonds, etc.), identify such item as a separate source of receipt. Attach representative copies of solicitations for financial support.

1. Contributions from interested foundations.
2. Contributions from interested newspapers, magazines or TV-Radio networks or affiliates.
3. Membership dues.
4. Fees.

- 2** Describe the organization's fund-raising program and explain to what extent it has been put into effect. (Include details of fund-raising activities such as selective mailings, formation of fund-raising committees, use of professional fund raisers, etc.)

Initially IRE is utilizing the services of its founding members to contact interested publishers, foundations and individuals which may wish to contribute to the establishment of this organization. Specific proposals for funding have already been submitted to 24 foundations which are reviewing them pending the results of this application. One proposal has been rejected. A letter to publishers has been drafted and will be distributed by members of the Board of Directors in the immediate future. It is hoped that an initial fund of \$90,000 can be raised for start-up operating expenses from these sources as well as from dues which will be set at a modest level because of the incomes of potential members.

(See attached sheet)

I declare under the penalties of perjury that I am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the above organization and I have examined this application, including the accompanying statements, and to the best of my knowledge it is true, correct and complete.

Edward O. DeLaney
(Signature)

attorney for IRE
(Title or authority of signer)

8-8-75
(Date)

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Part III, Item (2) continued

The amount of \$3,128 has been received from the Office of Communications of the Disciples of Christ. These funds are being expended by that office for the purpose of exploring the feasibility of creating an organization concerned with investigative journalism.

Part III.—Activities and Operational Information (Continued)

- 3 Give a narrative description of the activities presently carried on by the organization, and also those that will be carried on. If the organization is not fully operational, explain what stage of development its activities have reached, what further steps remain for the organization to become fully operational, and when such further steps will take place. The narrative should specifically identify the services performed or to be performed by the organization. (Do not state the purposes of the organization in general terms or repeat the language of the organizational documents.) If the organization is a school, hospital, or medical research organization, include sufficient information in your description to clearly show that the organization meets the definition of that particular activity that is contained in the instructions for Part VII-A on page 3 of the instructions.

Services. The principal focus of IRE is directed towards educating its members and others in order to develop the art of investigative journalism. At this time, the main effort is the preparation of a national convention or symposium to be held in the Winter of 1975-1976. Currently plans are being evolved for a 3-day meeting centering on a series of workshops on matters of concern to investigative journalism. Discussions will center on both reporting techniques and substantive matters. Ethical problems will be discussed but no code of ethics will be adopted or enforced. Because of the relatively low income of journalists, it is anticipated that it will be necessary to subsidize the expenses of many participants. This will be required in order to insure a representative group of participants. Groups experienced in running conventions such as the ANPA Foundation have been contacted for assistance in planning.

In addition to the Winter meeting, the organization will provide other services during its growth period. These include a newsletter disseminating information as to developments in the field and the beginning of a research library.

Organization. IRE is not yet fully operational. The organization was first set up in February 1975 at a meeting held in Reston, Virginia attended by a number of working journalists, professors of journalism and other interested persons from all sections of the United States. Since then an executive committee has been meeting on a monthly basis. Committees are functioning in the following areas: program planning; funding; membership; formal organization. Proposals are being forwarded to potential contributors. Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws have been prepared and filed. The structure and basic program format for the first annual meeting has been approved. Memberships are being solicited.

Full operational status can be achieved upon the receipt of the first \$10,000 solicited. With that amount it will be possible to prepare a newsletter, begin a research library incorporating materials related to investigative reporting, and pay the expenses of planning and setting up the first annual meeting. As more monies become available, a full complement of services and studies can be provided.

Part III.—Activities and Operational Information (Continued)**4 The membership of the organization's governing body is:****(a) Names, addresses, and duties of officers, directors, trustees, etc.****(b) Specialized knowledge, training, expertise, or particular qualifications**

1. Mr. Harley Bierce 307 N. Penn. St.
Indianapolis, Ind. 46204
2. Ms. Myrta Pulliam 307 N. Penn. St.
Indianapolis, Ind. 46204
3. Mr. Paul N. Williams 242 18th Street
Columbus, Ohio 43210
4. Mr. Robert L. Peirce 12th Blvd. and DelMar
St. Louis, Miss. 63101
(See attached sheet)

Pulitzer winner (1975) for investigative reporting.
 Pulitzer winner (1975) for investigative reporting.
 Pulitzer winner (1972) and Prof of Journalism, Ohio St. Univ.
 Reporter, St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

(c) Do any of the above persons serve as members of the governing body by reason of being public officials or being appointed by public officials? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," please name such persons and explain the basis of their selection or appointment.

(d) Are any members of the organization's governing body "disqualified persons" with respect to the organization (other than by reason of being a member of the governing body) or do any of the members have either a business or family relationship with "disqualified persons"? (See specific instructions 4(d).) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," please explain.

5 Does the organization control or is it controlled by any other organization? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Is the organization the outgrowth of another organization, or does it have a special relationship to another organization by reason of interlocking directorates or other factors? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If either of these questions is answered "Yes," please explain.

6 Is the organization financially accountable to any other organization? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," please explain and identify the other organization. Include details concerning accountability or

attach copies of reports if any have been rendered. IRE has reported all of its expenditures to the Office of Communications of the Disciples of Christ which was a requirement of the grant referred to in Part III, Item 2. There has been no other financial accountability. All expenses have been accounted for as incurred and are set forth in full in Schedules attached as Exhibits to Part V.

7 What assets does the organization have that are used in the performance of its exempt function? (Do not include income producing property.) If any assets are not fully operational, explain what stage of completion has been reached, what additional steps remain to be completed, and when such final steps will be taken. Currently, IRE has \$227.33 in cash. This is the remainder of the \$3,128 grant which has been used principally for travel expenses connected with the formation of IRE referred to in Part III, Item 2. Applications in the following amounts are now pending:
 (See attached sheet)

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5.	Mr. Ronald Koziol	435 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60611	Investigative reporter, <u>Chicago Tribune.</u>
6.	Mr. Les Whitten	1401 16th Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036	Investigative reporter, Washington, D.C.
7.	Mr. Steve Castner	333 West State Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201	Head of investigative team, <u>Milwaukee Journal.</u>
8.	Mr. David Burnham	1920 L Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036	Investigative reporter, <u>New York Times.</u>
9.	Mr. Len Downie	1150 15th Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20071	Metropolitan Editor, <u>Washington Post.</u>

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1.	Graham Fund	\$ 5,000.00
2.	ANPA Foundation	5,000.00
3.	Central Newspapers Foundation	3,000.00
4.	Lilly Endowment	25,000.00
5.	Stern Family Fund	10,000.00
6.	Twentieth Century Fund	25,000.00
7.	Knight Foundation	5,000.00
8.	Houston Endowment, Inc.	15,000.00
9.	Arca Foundation	5,000.00
10.	Rockefeller Brothers Fund	25,000.00
11.	Rockefeller Family Fund	5,000.00
12.	Rockefeller Foundation	25,000.00
13.	Markle Foundation	25,000.00
14.	Field Foundation, Inc.	15,000.00
15.	Helena Rubenstein Foundation	2,000.00
16.	Irwin-Sweeney-Miller	15,000.00
17.	Wm. Randolph Hearst Foundation	15,000.00
18.	Norman Foundation, Inc.	5,000.00

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19.	Edna McConnell Clark Foundation	\$15,000.00
20.	John and Elizabeth Bates Cowles Foundation	2,000.00
21.	Carnegie Corp of New York	25,000.00
22.	Danforth Foundation	25,000.00
23.	Samuel I Newhouse Foundation, Inc..	5,000.00
24.	New York Post Foundation	2,000.00

The Gannett Foundation was also solicited for \$5,000.00 and declined to contribute. A sample request, made to Lilly Endowment, Inc., is attached as Exhibit A.

Part III.—Activities and Operational Information (Continued)

- 8 (a) What benefits, services, or products will the organization provide with respect to its exempt function?
- (1) Seminars, meetings, publications on investigative journalism.
 - (2) Newsletter.
 - (3) Research Library.

(b) Have the recipients been required or will they be required to pay for the organization's benefits, services, or products? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," please explain and show how the charges are determined.

There will be fees for attending seminars and receiving publications. These will be subsidized when possible.

- 9 Does or will the organization limit its benefits, services or products to specific classes of individuals? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," please explain how the recipients or beneficiaries are or will be selected.

All services and products will be available both to members of IRE and of the public; except that access to the research library will be limited to those with a serious interest in investigative journalism. Benefits such as subsidies for travel to seminars or access (See attached sheet)

- 10 Is the organization a membership organization? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," complete the following:

- (a) Please describe the organization's membership requirements and attach a schedule of membership fees and dues. Members must generally be present or previous reporters, editors or teachers of journalism. There will, however, be a certain number of "associate" members recognized for their contribution to the field or to the corporation. No dues schedule has been set as yet. However, it is intended that dues be (See attached sheet)

- (b) Are benefits limited to members? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "No," please explain.

- (c) Attach a copy of the descriptive literature or promotional material used to attract members to the organization.

- 11 Does or will the organization engage in activities tending to influence legislation or intervene in any way in political campaigns? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," please explain.

Part IV.—Statement as to Private Foundation Status (See instructions)

- 1 Is the organization a private foundation? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- 2 If question 1 is answered "No," indicate the type of ruling being requested as to the organization's status under section 509 by checking the applicable box below:

- ☐ Definitive ruling under section 509(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) — complete Part VII.
☒ Advance or extended advance ruling under section 509(a)(1) or (2) — See instructions.

- 3 If question 1 is answered "Yes," and the organization claims to be a private operating foundation, check here ☐ and complete Part VIII.

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to the projected research library will be limited to those with a serious interest in investigative journalism.

Part III, Item 10

set low so as to make membership available to a representative group of persons interested in investigative journalism. Full details of membership requirements are set forth in Section 5.01 of the Articles of Incorporation.

Part V.—Financial Data (See instructions)Statement of Receipts and Expenditures, for period ending June 30, ..., 1975..

Receipts		
1	Gross contributions, gifts, grants and similar amounts received	\$ 3,128.00
2	Gross dues and assessments of members	--
3	Gross amounts derived from activities related to organization's exempt purpose	
	Less cost of sales	--
4	Gross amounts from unrelated business activities	
	Less cost of sales	--
5	Gross amount received from sale of assets, excluding inventory items (attach schedule)	
	Less cost or other basis and sales expense of assets sold	--
6	Interest, dividends, rents and royalties	--
7	Total receipts	\$ 3,128.00
Expenditures		
8	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	--
9	Disbursements to or for benefit of members (attach schedule)	\$ 2,448.53
10	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (attach schedule)	--
11	Other salaries and wages	--
12	Interest	--
13	Rent	--
14	Depreciation and depletion	--
15	Other (attach schedule)	452.14
16	Total expenditures	\$ 2,900.67
17	Excess of receipts over expenditures (line 7 less line 16)	227.33

Balance Sheets		Enter dates ►	Beginning date	Ending date
			2/7/75	6/30/75
Assets				
18	Cash (a) Interest bearing accounts			
	(b) Other		\$ 3,128.00	\$ 227.33
19	Accounts receivable, net		--	--
20	Inventories		--	--
21	Bonds and notes (attach schedule)		--	--
22	Corporate stocks (attach schedule)		--	--
23	Mortgage loans (attach schedule)		--	--
24	Other investments (attach schedule)		--	--
25	Depreciable and depletable assets (attach schedule)		--	--
26	Land		--	--
27	Other assets (attach schedule)		--	--
28	Total assets		\$ 3,128.00	\$ 227.33
Liabilities				
29	Accounts payable		-0-	-0-
30	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., payable		--	--
31	Mortgages and notes payable (attach schedule)		--	--
32	Other liabilities (attach schedule)		--	--
33	Total liabilities		-0-	-0-
Fund Balance or Net Worth				
34	Total fund balance or net worth		\$ 3,128.00	\$ 227.33
35	Total liabilities and fund balance or net worth (line 33 plus line 34)		\$ 3,128.00	\$ 227.33

Part VI.—Required Schedules for Special Activities (See instructions)

	If "Yes," check here;	And, complete schedule—
1 Is the organization, or any part of it, a school?		A
2 Does the organization provide or administer any scholarship benefits, student aid, etc.?		B
3 Has the organization taken over, or will it take over, the facilities of a "for profit" institution?		C
4 Is the organization, or any part of it, a hospital?		D
5 Is the organization, or any part of it, a home for the aged?		E
6 Is the organization, or any part of it, a litigating organization (public interest law firm or similar organization)?		F

FORM 1023 - LIST OF EXHIBITS/SCHEDULES

Part II - Articles
 Bylaws

Part II - 9 Schedule of Disbursements to or
 for Benefit of Members

Part II - 15 Schedule of "Other Expenditures"

Part III - 1 Representative solicitations
 Exhibit A - Sample Foundation Grant
 Proposal

Part III - 10 Exhibit C-1, C-2 - Solicitations for
 Members

APPROVED
AND
FILED

APR 25 1975

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF
STATE OF INDIANA

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

The undersigned incorporators, desiring to form a corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") pursuant to the provisions of the Indiana Not-For-Profit Corporation Act of 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), execute the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE 1

Name

Section 1.01. Name. The name of this Corporation shall be:

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

ARTICLE 2

Purposes and Powers

Section 2.01. Primary Purposes. The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are exclusively to perform such functions and to engage in such activities as shall permit the Corporation to qualify as an organization exempt from

Federal taxation under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (hereinafter referred to as the "Code"), and the Regulations issued pursuant thereto, as amended from time to time, and as an organization which is an other-than-private foundation under the provisions of Section 509(a)(2) of the Code and the Regulations issued pursuant thereto, as amended from time to time. Specifically, the Corporation shall be organized and at all times operated exclusively to provide educational services to reporters, editors, and other persons interested in investigative journalism and to maintain high professional and ethical standards in this field.

Section 2.02. Specific Powers. Subject to any specific written limitations or restrictions imposed by the Act, by the Code, by other law, or by these Articles of Incorporation, and solely in furtherance of but not in addition to the purposes set forth in Section 2.01 of this Article, the Corporation shall have the following specific powers:

Clause (a). Statutory Powers. Subject to any specific written limitations imposed by the Act, by other law, or by these Articles of Incorporation and solely in furtherance of, but not in addition to, the limited Purposes set forth in Section 2.01 of these Articles, the Corporation shall have all the powers specified in the Act including the powers set forth in Section 23-7-1.1-4 of the Act.

Clause (b). To Make Gifts. To make gifts, donations, contributions, loans and grants of all or any part of the income, assets and property of the Corporation.

Clause (c). To Solicit Contributions. To solicit in any manner and receive and accept from any source any money, property or services, including any present or future, vested or contingent, legal or equitable, or conditional or absolute interest therein, which is given, granted, devised, bequeathed or otherwise bestowed upon the Corporation and may be used to accomplish the purposes set forth in Section 2.01 of this Article.

Clause (d). To Make Contracts. To enter into, perform, cancel and rescind all kinds of contractual obligations.

Clause (e). To Act With Others. To perform any act which the Corporation acting alone has the power and capacity to perform by acting as a partner or otherwise in association with any individual, group of individuals, firm, partnership, association, corporation, department of government, or other entity, whether legally constituted or informally organized.

Clause (f). To Accept Fees for Services. To accept fees for services rendered to members or to the general public insofar as such is consistent with the purposes set forth in Section 2.01 of this Article.

Clause (g). Establishment and Maintenance of Corporation. To expend funds for the establishment and maintenance of the Corporation; the acquisition, equipment, maintenance and conduct of a principal office; the engagement of staff, both professional and otherwise, to conduct the business and affairs of the Corporation; the publication of materials respecting the affairs of the Corporation; the conducting of programs designed to effect the purposes of the Corporation; and the conduct of its business and affairs generally.

Section 2.03. Limitations Upon Powers.

Clause (a). Earnings. No member of the Corporation shall have or receive any earnings

from the Corporation, except a member who is an officer, director, or employee of the Corporation, in which event he may receive fair and reasonable compensation for his services as an officer, director, or employee; and a member may also receive payments of principal and interest at a rate not exceeding six percent (6%) per annum on funds loaned or advanced by him to the Corporation.

Clause (b). Loans to Directors. The Corporation shall make no advancements for services to be performed in the future, nor any loan of money or property to any director or officer of the Corporation.

Clause (c). Dissolution. In the event of dissolution of the Corporation, all assets remaining after payment of all debts of the Corporation shall be transferred by the Board of Directors to any not-for-profit corporation, trust, foundation or other organization whose purposes are substantially the same as those of the Corporation and which, at the time of transfer, is exempt from Federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. Any such assets not so transferred by the Board of Directors shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the County in which the principal office of the Corporation is located, exclusively for such tax-exempt purposes or to such tax-exempt organization as the Court shall determine. No member, director or officer of the Corporation, or any private individual, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the assets of the Corporation on dissolution of the Corporation.

Clause (d). Prohibited Activities.

(i) No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, director or officer of the Corporation, or to any private individual;

(ii) No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not

participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

(iii) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from Federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and the Regulations issued pursuant thereto, as amended, or by an organization contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code and the Regulations issued pursuant thereto, as amended.

Clause (e). No Construction of Powers as Purposes. The Powers enumerated in Section 2.02 of this Article shall not be construed as Purposes, but the Corporation shall have and exercise such Powers solely in furtherance of, but not in addition to the limited purposes set forth in Section 2.01 of this Article.

ARTICLE 3

Period of Existence

Section 3.01. Term. The period during which the Corporation shall continue is perpetual.

ARTICLE 4

Principal Office and Resident Agent

Section 4.01. Principal Office. The post office address of the principal office of the Corporation is:

307 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Section 4.02. Resident Agents. The names and post office addresses of the Resident Agents in charge of the principal office of the Corporation are:

Harley Bierce and Myrta Pulliam
307 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

ARTICLE 5

Membership

Section 5.01. Classes of Membership. The Corporation shall have three classes of members for both the subscribing or charter members and such other person or persons as may become members pursuant to the provisions of the Code of By-Laws. The classes of membership shall be entitled "Professional", "Academic" and "Associate" respectively. The Professional class shall be limited to persons substantially engaged in reporting and/or editing. The Academic class shall be limited to persons engaged full-time in research or teaching in the field of journalism. "Associate" membership will be available to former Professional or Academic members plus individuals recognized by the Board of Directors for their contributions to this corporation or to the field of investigative reporting and editing.

Section 5.02. Voting Rights. Each member of the Corporation who is present in person or by proxy shall be

entitled to one (1) vote upon each question voted upon at all meetings of the members without regard to his or her class of membership.

ARTICLE 6

Directors

Section 6.01. Number of Directors. The initial Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of nine (9) members who shall serve for two years from the date of the filing of these articles. The number of Directors of the Corporation shall be specified from time to time in the Code of By-Laws of the Corporation; provided, however, that the minimum number shall be three (3) and the maximum number shall be fifteen (15) and, if the Code of By-Laws fail to specify the number, then the number shall be nine (9). One-half of the directors shall be elected every year and shall serve for two years. The mechanism for electing the first Board of Directors shall be established in the Code of By-Laws.

Section 6.02. Names and Post Office Addresses. The names and post office addresses of the initial members of the Board of Directors are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Post Office Address</u>
1. Mr. Harley Bierce	307 North Pennsylvania Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

2. Ms. Myrta Pulliam 307 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
3. Mr. Paul N. Williams 242 18th Street
Columbus, Ohio 43210
4. Mr. Robert L. Peirce 12th Blvd. and DelMar
St. Louis, Missouri 63101
5. Mr. Ronald Koziol 435 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611
6. Mr. Les Whitten 1401 16th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036
7. Mr. Steve Castner 333 West State Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201
8. Mr. David Burnham 1920 L Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036
9. Mr. Len Downie 1150 15th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20071

Section 6.03. Editors and Academic Members as Directors.

At their time of election, no more than one-quarter (1/4) of the Board of Directors shall be editors. Nor shall more than one Academic member or more than one Associate member sit on the Board at any time after the second annual meeting.

ARTICLE 7

Incorporators

Section 7.01. Names and Addresses of Incorporators.

The names and post office addresses of the incorporators are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Post Office Address</u>
1. Mr. Harley Bierce	307 North Pennsylvania Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
2. Ms. Myrta Pulliam	307 North Pennsylvania Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

ARTICLE 8

Statement with Respect to Property

Section 8.01. Property of Corporation. The Corporation, upon its incorporation, has no property of value other than the sum of \$300.00.

ARTICLE 9

Executive Committee

The Board of Directors shall elect an Executive Committee of such number and with such tenure and powers as the Bylaws shall determine. Such Executive Committee shall have and may exercise, during the intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors, all the powers vested in the Board of Directors (except such powers as, under the Act, Articles, Bylaws, or other law, or proper resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors, are reserved for exercise by the latter alone) upon the affirmative vote of a majority in number of the members of the Executive Committee, present

in person or by proxy. The Executive Committee may, within the limitations just stated, make and adopt a Code of Rules and Regulations for the conduct of its business.

ARTICLE 10

Provision for Regulation and Conduct Of the Affairs of Corporation

Section 10.01. Management of Corporation. The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors, which shall represent the members of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of Section 6.03 hereof.

Section 10.02. Code of By-Laws. The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall have the power, without the assent of the members, to make, alter, amend, or repeal the Code of By-Laws of the Corporation.

Section 10.03. Officers. The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be prescribed by resolution of the Board of Directors. They shall be elected in the manner specified in the Code of By-Laws. The offices of President and Secretary shall not be occupied by the same person.

Section 10.04. Term of Office of Directors and Officers.

Each officer and director shall hold his office for the term specified in the Code of By-Laws, but no term shall end until a successor is elected and qualified for the office to be vacated.

Section 10.05. Removal of Member of the Board of Directors.

Any member of the Board of Directors may be removed, with or without cause, at a meeting of the Board of Directors called expressly for that purpose, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all the members of the Board of Directors then serving.

Section 10.06. Meetings of Members. All meetings of the members shall be held at such place within or without the State of Indiana as may be designated by the Board of Directors pursuant to the provisions of the Code of By-Laws.

Section 10.07. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on January 1, and end on December 31.

Section 10.08. Action by Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the board of directors or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, if prior to such action a written consent to such action is signed by all members of the board or of

such committee, as the case may be, and such written consent is filed with the minutes of proceedings of the board or committee.

Section 10.09. Limitation on Powers of Members and Board of Directors. Notwithstanding any contrary provision in these Articles, neither the members nor the Board of Directors shall have the power or authority to take or authorize any action which shall deprive the Corporation of its status as an exempt organization under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, as amended.

Section 10.10. Amendment of Articles of Incorporation. The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in the Articles of Incorporation or in any amendment hereto, in any manner now or hereafter prescribed or permitted by the Act or any amendment thereto; provided, nevertheless, that such power of amendment shall not authorize any amendment which would permit any part of the net earnings or property of the Corporation to inure to the benefit of any private individual or which would have the effect of disqualifying this Corporation as an exempt organization under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, as amended, or such equivalent provision as may hereafter exist from time to time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporators designated in Article 7, execute these Articles of Incorporation and certify to the truth of the facts therein stated this 25 day of April, 1975.

Harley R. Bierce
Harley Bierce

Myrta Pulliam
Myrta Pulliam

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)

Before me, a Notary Public, duly commissioned to take acknowledgements and administer oaths in the State of Indiana, personally appeared HARLEY BIERCE, an incorporator referred to in Article 7 of the foregoing Articles of Incorporation; acknowledged the execution thereof; and swore to the truth of the facts therein stated.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal this 25th day of April, 1975.

Anna Mary Lee
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

May 31, 1978

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)

Before me, a Notary Public, duly commissioned to take acknowledgements and administer oaths in the State of Indiana, personally appeared MYRTA PULLIAM, an incorporator referred to in Article 7 of the foregoing Articles of Incorporation; acknowledged the execution thereof; and swore to the truth of the facts therein stated.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal this 25th day of April, 1975.

Anna Mary Lee
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

May 31, 1978

BARNES, HICKAM, PANTZER & BOYD

1313 MERCHANTS BANK BUILDING

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

46204

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August 8, 1975

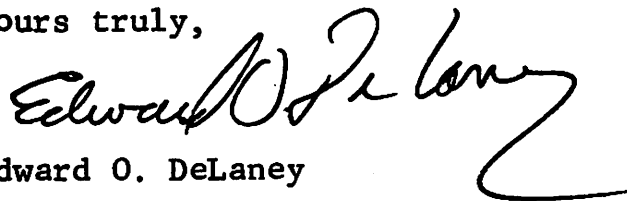
District Director
Internal Revenue Service
New Federal Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

WRITTEN DECLARATION

Dear Sir:

This letter constitutes my written declaration as an attorney for Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc. that the attached copies of the Bylaws of said organization are hereby certified as complete and accurate copies of the originals thereof.

Yours truly,



Edward O. DeLaney

EOD: aml

Attachment

CODE OF BYLAWS
OF
INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

ARTICLE 1

Name and Period of Existence

The name of the Corporation is INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.; and the period during which the Corporation shall continue in existence is perpetual.

ARTICLE 2

Purposes

The Purposes set forth in Article 2.01 of the Articles shall be implemented by the Members, Directors, officers, agents, and employees of the Corporation, subject, however, to the control of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 3

Powers

The limited Powers set forth in Article 2.02 of the Articles shall be exercised by the Members, Directors, officers, agents, and employees of the Corporation, subject, however, to the control of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 4

General Office, Resident Agent, and Executive Director

Section 4.01. Appointment and Powers of Executive Director. At such time as it shall deem it necessary and appropriate, the Board of Directors may, by majority vote, elect an Executive Director of the Corporation to operate its general office; plan and supervise its campaign for gifts; conduct its general correspondence; and make arrangements for the meetings of the Members, Directors, and the Executive Committee of the Corporation. The Executive Director shall have only such powers as are granted to him or her by the Board of Directors. The Executive Director shall at all times be subject to the instructions of the Directors, and at times between meetings of the Directors, the Executive Committee.

Section 4.02. Corporate Acts. All checks, drafts, notes, bonds, bills of exchange, and orders for the payment of money of the Corporation; all deeds, mortgages, and other written contracts and agreements to which the Corporation shall be a party; and all assignments or endorsements of stock certificates, registered bonds, or other securities owned by the Corporation, shall, unless otherwise directed

by the Board of Directors, or unless otherwise required by the Board of Directors, or unless otherwise required by law, be signed by any two of the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer. The Board of Directors may, however, authorize any one of such officers to sign any of such instruments, for and in behalf of the Corporation, without necessity of countersignature; and may designate officers or employees of the Corporation other than those named above, who may, in the name of the Corporation, sign such instruments. Any shares of stock issued by any other corporation and owned or controlled by the Corporation may be voted at any shareholders' meeting of such other corporation by the President of the Corporation, if he be present; or, in his absence, by any Vice-President of the Corporation who may be present; and, in the event both the President and Vice-President shall be absent, then by such person as the President or Vice-President, and the Secretary, shall, by duly executed proxy, designate to represent the Corporation at such shareholders' meeting.

ARTICLE 5

Members

Section 5.01. Application for Membership. Any interested person may apply to the Board of Directors for membership in

any appropriate membership class. Membership application for either the professional or academic class of membership shall be approved if the applicant meets the occupational requirements set forth in Section 5.01 of the Articles.

Associate membership shall be granted to all applicants who were former members of the professional or academic class.

Other persons may apply to the Board of Directors for associate memberships only upon the recommendation of at least one member of the Board. All determination as to qualification of applicants shall be made by a vote of the Board.

Section 5.02. Compliance with Bylaws. Both Charter Members and Elected Members shall execute and deliver to the Corporation an Instrument of Acceptance in the following form:

Instrument of Acceptance
of
Membership In
Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.

Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.
307 North Pennsylvania
Indianapolis, Indiana

In consideration of admission to Membership in your Corporation and the benefits to be derived from such Membership, the undersigned hereby agrees to abide by the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and Code of Bylaws, of your Corporation, both as amended from time to time.

Executed at _____, this _____ day of _____,
19__.

(Name of Member)

By _____
President

Attest:

Secretary

(Corporate Seal)

Section 5.03. Certificate of Membership. Upon execution by a Member of the "Instrument of Acceptance of Membership in Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.," such Member shall be entitled to issuance of a Certificate of Membership in the following form:

Certificate of Membership
in
Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY That _____
(Name of Member)
of _____, is a member
(City and State)
of the Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc.
Membership Category _____.

Executed this _____ day of _____,
19__.

President

Attest:

Secretary

(Corporate Seal)

Section 5.04. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Members of the Corporation shall be held within one year of the filing of the Articles and prior to the termination of the current Fiscal Year, on a day or days which shall meet with the approval of a majority of the Board of Directors. At least thirty (30) days' notice in writing of the day or days set for such meeting shall be given to each Member. If the annual meeting is not held as above provided, such failure shall not work any forfeiture of the charter, or affect the status of the property or the validity of any power, authority or action of the Corporation, its Members, Directors, and officers; but such meeting, when duly called, convened, and conducted, and the action taken thereat, shall be as valid as if such annual meeting had been held at the time hereinabove set forth.

Section 5.05. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Members may be called as determined by a majority in number of the members of the Executive Committee, or by any twenty-five (25) percent of the Members, at any place within the United States upon delivery of ten (10) days notice,

specifying the time, place, and general purpose of the meeting given to each Member either personally, by mail, or by telegram. At any special meeting at which all Members are present, notice of the time, place, and purpose thereof shall be deemed waived; and similar notice may likewise be waived by absent Members either by written instrument or by telegram.

Section 5.06. Quorum. A majority of the Members of the Corporation shall be necessary to constitute a quorum and all motions for action shall be carried by a majority vote of the Members present, except that a vote of two-thirds in number of the Members shall be necessary for the amendment of the Articles.

Section 5.07. Voting Rights. The Members shall have voting rights at meetings of the Members in accordance with the Articles.

ARTICLE 6

Directors

Section 6.01. Number, Qualification, and Term. Except as stated in Section 6.02 hereof, the Corporation shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of nine (9) Members qualified as per Article 6 of the Articles.

Section 6.02. Selection of Initial Board of Directors.

The Directors named in Section 6.02 of the Articles shall each serve for a period of two years commencing on the date of the filing of the Articles. In addition four (4) more directors shall be elected at the first annual meeting to commence service immediately. Thus after the first annual meeting and before the second anniversary of the filing of the Articles there shall be a total of thirteen (13) directors. At the second annual meeting, which is to be held before the second anniversary of the filing of the Articles, five (5) directors shall be chosen to commence service on the second anniversary of the filing of the Articles. These directors may be chosen wholly or in part from among the original directors. Thereafter the Board shall consist of only nine (9) members.

Section 6.03. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors for the election of officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting, shall be held either conjointly with, or immediately after adjournment of, the annual meeting of the Members of the Corporation, when the latter is held as specified in Section 5.03 of these Bylaws. No notice shall be necessary for the holding of the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. If the annual meeting

is not held as above provided, the election of officers may be held at any subsequent meeting of the Board as adjourned or specially called.

Section 6.04. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be held as determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 6.05. Place of Meetings. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at such place within the United States, as may be specified in the respective notices, or waivers of notice, thereof; and if not so specified, then at the principal office of the Corporation.

Section 6.06. Notice and Waiver of Notice of Meetings. Not less than ten (10) days' notice, specifying the time, place, and general purposes of each meeting, shall be given to each Director either personally, by mail, or by telegram. Notices of meetings of the Board of Directors shall be substantially in the following form:

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.:

Please take notice that the annual (a special) meeting of the Board of Directors of Investigative Reporters and Editors, Inc. will be held at _____, on _____, 19____, at ____ o'clock p.m. for the following purposes: _____

- 1.
- (Here Insert)
- 2.

Please be advised that in event of failure of a quorum of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, but presence of a quorum of the Executive Committee, the meeting will proceed as a meeting of the Executive Committee; but that all members of the Board of Directors who are present and who are not members of the Executive Committee may in such event participate in the meeting for purposes of advice and discussion, but not for voting.

Dated _____, 19__.

Secretary
Investigative Reporters and
Editors, Inc.

Section 6.07. Waiver of Notice. At any meeting at which all Directors are present, notice of the time, place and purpose thereof shall be deemed waived, and similar notice may likewise be waived by absent Directors, either by written instrument or by telegram.

Section 6.08. Quorum. A majority of the whole Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum thereof; and, unless otherwise affirmatively prescribed by the Act, Articles, Bylaws, or other law, a majority of any quorum shall be sufficient to authorize or approve any action by the Board.

ARTICLE 7

Executive Committee

Section 7.01. Number, Qualification, and Term. The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors shall be constituted of five (5) Members appointed by the Board of Directors. The members of the Executive Committee shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

Section 7.02. Vacancies. Vacancies on the Executive Committee shall occur upon the death or other incapacity of any one of the five (5) Members; and shall be filled at the direction of the Board of Directors.

Section 7.03. Meetings. Annual and special meetings of the Executive Committee shall be called and held in a manner similar to that prescribed for the Directors in Sections 6.03 to 6.07 of these Bylaws.

Section 7.04. Quorum. A majority of the members of the Executive Committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum thereof; but no action shall be taken by the Executive Committee which is not supported by the affirmative votes of three (3) members.

Section 7.05. Powers. The Executive Committee shall have and may exercise during the intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors all the powers vested in the Board of Directors, except those reserved by the Act, Articles, these Bylaws, or other law to the Members or Board of Directors of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 8

Officers

Section 8.01. Officers. The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and such other officers as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. All officers shall be members. The President, Vice-President, and Treasurer shall be Directors of the Corporation. The Secretary need not be a Director.

Section 8.02. Vacancies. Whenever any vacancies shall occur in any office by death, resignation, increase in the number of offices of the Corporation, or otherwise, the same shall be filled by the Board of Directors, and the officer so elected shall hold office until his successor is chosen and qualified.

Section 8.03. The President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Members, and the Board of Directors, discharge all the duties which devolve upon a presiding officer, and perform such other duties as these Bylaws provide or the Board of Directors may prescribe. The President, acting with the Secretary and Treasurer, shall have full authority, for and in behalf of the Corporation, to execute powers of attorney appointing other corporations, foundations, partnerships, or individuals the agent of the Corporation.

Section 8.04. The Vice-President. The Vice-President shall perform all duties incumbent upon the President during the absence or disability of the President and shall perform such other duties as these Bylaws may require or the Board of Directors may prescribe.

Section 8.05. The Secretary. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, and shall keep, or cause to be kept, in books provided for the purpose, true and complete minutes of the meetings or other proceedings of the Members, Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and standing committees of the Board of Directors, when required. The Secretary may delegate his duty to keep such minutes to an Assistant Secretary or the Executive Director of the Corporation if there be such. The

Secretary (acting through the Executive Director if there be such) shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the Corporation.

The Secretary shall perform such other duties as these Bylaws may require or the Board of Directors may prescribe, including the execution of the certificates set forth in Article 5.

Section 8.06. The Treasurer. The Treasurer shall keep correct and complete records of account, showing accurately at all times the financial condition of the Corporation. He shall be the legal custodian of all moneys, notes, securities and other valuables which may from time to time come into possession of the Corporation. He shall immediately deposit all funds of the Corporation coming into his hands in some reliable bank or other depository to be designated by the Board of Directors, and shall keep such bank account in the name of the Corporation. The Treasurer may delegate his duty to keep such records of account and to perform such other duties to any employee of the Corporation designated by the Board of Directors by proper resolution. The Treasurer shall furnish at meetings of the Board of Directors, or whenever requested, a statement of the financial condition of the Corporation.

Section 8.07. Delegation of Authority. In case of the absence of any officer of the Corporation, or for any other reason the Board may deem sufficient, the Board may delegate the powers or duties of such officer to the Executive Director if there be such or any other officer or to any Director or employee of the Corporation, for the time being, provided a majority in number of the entire Board of Directors concurs therein.

ARTICLE 9

Amendment

The power to make, alter, amend, supplement or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation is vested in the Board of Directors, at a meeting properly called, convened, and conducted for such purpose at which two-thirds in number of the Directors vote in favor of such action.

SPENDING BY INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS (IRE)
(From initial meeting in February, 1975, until present, July 15, 1975)

SCHEDULE PART V.- 9

<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>PURPOSES</u>	<u>DATE PAID</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Myrta Pulliam	Reston, Va., airfare	2/18/75	\$ 121.73
Harley Bierce	Reston, Va., airfare	2/18/75	121.73
Ed DeLaney	Reston, Va., airfare	2/18/75	121.73
Frank Anderson	Reston, Va., airfare	2/18/75	408.73
Paul Williams	Reston, Va., airfare	2/18/75	120.73
Bob Peirce	Reston, Va., airfare	2/20/75	182.73
Myrta Pulliam	Auto rental at Reston	3/ 5/75	85.01
American Express	Hotel bill at Reston	3/26/75	506.45
Paul Williams	Columbus, Indpls. travel	3/18/75	60.66
Ron Koziol	Chicago, Indpls. travel	3/18/75	27.50
Bob Peirce	St. Louis, Indpls. travel	3/18/75	62.73
Bob Peirce	April 19, Indpls. travel	4/10/75	125.00
Ron Koziol	April 19, Indpls. travel	4/10/75	100.00
Ed DeLaney	Plane, taxi to Columbus	4/29/75	66.73
Harley Bierce	Columbus, & L.A. expense	4/29/75	109.26
Myrta Pulliam	Columbus, postage advance included	4/29/75	154.27
American Express	Koziol, Peirce Columbus overnight	5/29/75	44.89
Myrta Pulliam	Additional airfare reimbursement	6/13/75	<u>28.65</u>
			<u>\$2,448.53</u>

SPENDING BY INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS (IRE)

(From initial meeting in February, 1975, until present, July 15, 1975)

SCHEDULE PART V.- 15

<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>PURPOSES</u>	<u>DATE PAID</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Indianapolis Newspapers	Phone calls	3/5/75	\$ 45.80
Indianapolis Newspapers	Xerox charges	3/5/75	20.28
Amer. Soc. of Assn. Execs.	Organizing help	3/5/75	24.95
Indianapolis Newspapers	Postage	3/17/75	10.40
Indianapolis Newspapers	Postage	4/10/75	7.20
Indianapolis Newspapers	Xerox charges	4/10/75	10.61
Indianapolis Newspapers	Phone calls	4/10/75	72.99
Indianapolis Newspapers	Postage	4/29/75	10.40
Indianapolis Newspapers	Xerox charges	4/29/75	24.55
Indianapolis Newspapers	Phone calls	4/29/75	45.80
Ed DeLaney	Inc. filing fee	4/29/75	26.00
Indianapolis Newspapers	Stationery charges	6/13/75	49.30
Indianapolis Newspapers	Xerox charges	6/13/75	30.41
Indianapolis Newspapers	Phone calls	6/13/75	<u>73.45</u>
			\$452.14

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May, 1975

REQUEST FOR LILLY ENDOWMENT INC. SUPPORT FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS, INC.

Lilly Endowment Inc. support in the amount of \$25,000 is requested to aid in the formation of a national organization for reporters and editors with investigative assignments.

Investigative Reporters and Editors (IRE) was begun in February, 1975, by leading journalists from all over the U.S. including Pulitzer-prize winning columnist Jack Anderson; David Burnham of the Washington Bureau of the New York Times; Paul Williams, a Pulitzer winner, and Harley Bierce and Myrta Pulliam of the Indianapolis Star's Pulitzer winning investigative team.

The initial consensus was that there is a need for a national organization devoted to assisting investigative reporting.

Since February, additional reporters and editors across the country have joined IRE. A steering group was formed and has been meeting monthly, and articles of incorporation have been filed. Program planning is going forward.

IRE is to be a membership-oriented organization run largely by working members of the press. The IRE steering group believes that initiative should come from the reporters and editors who do investigative reporting, and can recognize most accurately what the needs are. However this is not intended to prevent extensive cooperation with and participation from publishers and other elements of the profession, including existing organizations.

The founders of IRE are convinced that the organization cannot be put on a solid foundation without substantial initial involvement from working reporters and editors who are the potential members of IRE and intended recipients of its services. It is felt that these people can be successfully involved only if they are brought together in sufficient numbers at a founding meeting of IRE. This would be done at a national conference.

As planned, the conference will be sponsored by Investigative Reporters and Editors and be held for three days in the winter

EXHIBIT "A"

Jack Anderson, Washington, D.C.
David Burnham, New York Times*
Len Downie, Washington Post*
Robert Peirce, St. Louis Globe-Democrat*

Frank Anderson, Long Beach Independent*
John Colburn, Landmark Communications*
Robert Friedly, Christian Church*
Myrta Pulliam, Indianapolis Star*
Paul Williams, Ohio State University*

Harley Bierce, Indianapolis Star*
Edward O. DeLaney, Indianapolis
Ronald Koziol, Chicago Tribune*
Les Whitten, Washington, D.C.

of 1975-76 at a Midwestern location. IRE will ask journalists with outstanding experience to provide leadership. Several members of IRE, including Jack Anderson, have already volunteered their participation. Well-known journalists will be asked to address the conference on broad issues and challenges facing investigative journalists. A series of smaller workshops also are being planned. They will be devoted to background information related to specific areas of investigative work.

Objectives of the conference include:

- 1) The introduction of participants to needed information and resources designed to broaden the perspective of even the most experienced reporters and editors.
- 2) The provision of an opportunity for the nation's investigative reporters and editors to become acquainted.
- 3) The development of a consensus on the precise goals and functions of IRE, including the specific services to be provided.
- 4) The holding of business sessions to select officers and directors of the permanent organization and to modify the corporate charter and by-laws as needed.

The national meeting is being called to develop a consensus on the direction and value of investigative reporting, and to provide a major base for a new service organization. Therefore, it is important that those attending have strong interest and experience. These factors cannot be measured by financial capability alone. As a result, IRE hopes to be able to subsidize the expenses of some attendees at the meeting.

It is apparent that IRE should begin to provide certain vitally needed services even before the national meeting. These include (a) a directory of reporters and members (b) a newsletter featuring examples of quality investigative work and, (c) a clipping file service focusing on subjects of interest to investigative reporters. The cost of these services plus the start-up costs typical of any organization will have to be met on top of the costs of the national meeting. Beyond this it is hoped that additional funds will be available when IRE goes into complete action after the national meeting.

A breakdown of projected expenses is attached.

Just as its goals affect its structure, IRE's purposes affect its method for seeking support. In the long run IRE hopes to count on its members and their employers as the key source of support. These groups will contribute if assured of the worthwhile character of the organization. In the short-run IRE hopes

to meet the bulk of its financial needs by a series of small-to-medium contributions from a number of sources. This approach is designed to counter any suggestions that IRE or its reporter-members are controlled by any outside organization.

IRE is seeking grants of \$5,000 from six foundations and contributions of from \$10,000 to \$25,000 from up to seven foundations. The funding is planned this way for two reasons: To assure that the organization has broad financial support to avoid any possible conflict of interest, and to insure that IRE qualifies for tax-exempt status as other than a private foundation.

The goal of a \$90,000 fund, raised from foundations, news organizations and individuals has been established. The fund will be used (see attached budget) for interim operating expenses for providing services and paying travel expenses for persons to attend the national meeting on a scholarship basis. The travel scholarships will be for up to 100 reporters and editors who would otherwise not attend the meeting, and will cover a portion of air fare and hotel expenses. Everyone will be required to pay at least a portion of their expenses. A screening committee of IRE will select the persons eligible.

Lilly Endowment Inc. is asked to contribute \$25,000; \$5,000 directly to help cover interim operating expenses and \$20,000 prior to IRE's national meeting. This latter contribution may be directly to IRE or contingent upon commitments from other foundations, news organizations or individuals and qualification of IRE as a Federally tax-exempt organization.

None of the plans for IRE call for it to become an adversary or advocacy group, except in terms of providing services and fostering high standards.

It is hoped that requests for contributions to IRE will be substantially reduced in future years. A strong national organization should result from the careful foundation laid for the first meeting and initial activities. This organization would develop its own internal resources.

Proposed budget for Investigative Reporters & Editors

IRE Operating expenses until national meeting

Legal expenses (filing corporate charter, 501 (C)3	\$ 3,000
Travel for executive committee meetings and arrangements	8,000
Copying (proposals, reports to members)	250
Printing (directory, letterhead, brochures)	1,000
Postage	350
Temporary help	500
Telephone	500
	\$13,600

National meeting

Expenses for scholarships for 100 persons	\$30,000
Expenses for leaders and speakers	5,000
Invitations, ads and promotion	500
Mailing	1,000
Temporary help	500
Printed material, resource lists, name tags etc.	500
Hospitality room, refreshments	500
Supplementary sound, coffee, misc.	1,200
	\$39,200

IRE Operating expenses after national meeting

For office space, services, help, coordinator	\$37,200
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\$90,000 total

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A group of reporters and editors, representing various sections of the country, believe that a national organization should be formed to aid investigative journalism.

Interested reporters and editors met at Reston, Va., in February to discuss starting such a group. A steering group was formed, which includes the journalists listed below.

Investigative Reporters and Editors (IRE) was officially formed in April with the filing of a non-profit corporate charter. This was done primarily to provide a common meeting ground for those who might be interested.

The steering group believes that before final decisions are made about the organization, there ought to be a national get-together for the express purpose of determining where investigative reporting is going and just what a national organization should be doing.

Plans are now being made by the steering group for the national meeting which will be held in the Midwest next winter. These plans call for a three-day meeting to focus exclusively on investigative reporting. Some of the biggest names in the business, including Jack Anderson and David Burnham, have already committed themselves to participation.

The main purpose list of services (final determination to be made at the national meeting) include:

- 1) resource file
- 2) information clearing house
- 3) newsletter
- 4) publication of guideline reports on specific topics
- 5) advisory services
- 6) clipping files
- 7) liaison with other journalism organizations

A directory of investigative reporters and editors, their assignments and past stories, is currently being developed.

Anyone interested in attending the meeting, joining the organization as a charter member (no membership fee prior to national meeting) or receiving the directory, should write to IRE at the above address or contact a steering committee member.

EXHIBIT "C-1"

Jack Anderson, Washington, D.C.
David Burnham, New York Times*
Len Downie, Washington Post*
Robert Peirce, St. Louis Globe-Democrat*

Frank Anderson, Long Beach Independent*
John Colburn, Landmark Communications*
Robert Friedly, Christian Church*
Myrta Pulliam, Indianapolis Star*
Paul Williams, Ohio State University*

Harley Bierce, Indianapolis Star*
Edward O. DeLaney, Indianapolis
Ronald Koziol, Chicago Tribune*
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Background information on IRE

The idea for an organization for investigative reporters and editors came from several persons..

After 18 months on the job, the Indianapolis Star's investigative team encountered numerous instances where there was a need for an organization aimed at improving investigative reporting nationally.

Other reporters around the country also saw the need. A reporter from the Chicago Tribune and a professor at Ohio State University Journalism Department had similar ideas and proposals.

Investigative reporting has become an important tool on many papers but there is a danger it could turn into a fad, attracting reporters seeking notoriety. A few lousy jobs and the whole field could get a bad name.

We believe, too, that giving more attention to investigative reporting is justified. This kind of work sometimes needs to go beyond what even the most outstanding beat reporter can do.

Reporters and editors from all over the country met at Reston, Va., Feb. 23 and 24 to talk over these ideas. As a result, Investigative Reporters and Editors was formed on an informal basis.

EXHIBIT "C-2"

Jack Anderson, Washington, D.C.
David Burnham, New York Times*
Len Downie, Washington Post*
Robert Peirce, St. Louis Globe-Democrat*

Frank Anderson, Long Beach Independent*
John Colburn, Landmark Communications*
Robert Friedly, Christian Church*
Myrta Pulliam, Indianapolis Star*
Paul Williams, Ohio State University*

Harley Bierce, Indianapolis Star*
Edward O. DeLarney, Indianapolis
Ronald Koziol, Chicago Tribune*
Les Whitten, Washington, D.C.

*for identification purposes only

The purpose of IRE's steering group is to develop an organization which will meet the educational needs of reporters and editors involved with investigative journalism.

The members of IRE believe that more investigative journalism, defined in its broadest sense, is needed. The organization can have a positive effect on the quality and effectiveness of this type of reporting.

Development of the organization has been planned in four phases:

- 1) The meeting at Reston to determine interest and need. (Accomplished 2/3)
- 2) Plan for a national organizational and training meeting, concurrently with
- 3) Development of a structural base for a national organization (Accomplished 4/25)
- 4) Provision of services to investigative journalists through a national organization.

The Reston meeting revealed a common concern and interest in services and led to a focus on methods of establishing a successful and effective organization.

An executive committee was appointed and assigned the following primary tasks:

- 1) Prepare for a national meeting, expected to become annual
- 2) Achieve non-profit status and plan for formal organization on a national basis.
- 3) Develop a directory of the nation's reporters and editors actively engaged in or interested in investigative journalism.

To demonstrate their commitment to these objectives, several of those attending the Reston meeting pledged their support for leadership participation in the national conference

without charge. They include Jack Anderson, Les Whitten, David Burnham, Paul Williams and Ron Koziol and members of the Indianapolis Star's award winning investigative team.

The IRE executive committee has established subcommittees to work in the following areas: program planning, funding, membership and formal structure.

Services proposed which the national organization could provide include:

- 1) Resource file
- 2) information clearing house
- 3) newsletter
- 4) publication of guideline reports on specific topics
- 5) advisory services
- 6) clipping files
- 7) liaison with other journalism organizations

These services can be provided without interfering in the prerogatives or initiative of news organizations. Further, this organization will avoid providing services for which existing organizations have the capability and interest.

IRE's corporate charter does not include a provision for lobbying or becoming an advocacy group, except in the sense that providing needed services will be an indirect advocacy of better reporting.

Those who attended the Reston meeting include:

Jack Anderson, Pulitzer prize-winning columnist
Frank Anderson, associate editor, Long Beach Independent
Harley Bierce, investigative team, Indianapolis Star
David Burnham, Washington Bureau, New York Times
John Colburn, vice-president, Landmark Communications
Edward O. DeLaney, Indianapolis attorney
Len Downie, Metropolitan Editor, Washington Post

Robert Friedly, director of communications, Christian Church, Disciples of Christ

Robert Peirce, reporter, St. Louis Globe-Democrat

Myrta Pulliam, investigative team, Indianapolis Star

Les Whitten, Jack Anderson associate

Paul Williams, journalism professor, Ohio State University, former editor of Pulitzer winning Sun Newspapers, Omaha, Neb.

Jack Landau, Washington Bureau, Newhouse News Service

Executive committee members include Bierce, Pulliam, Williams, Peirce, DeLaney, Friedly, and Ron Koziol, a reporter for the Chicago Tribune. Koziol was unable to attend the Reston meeting but earlier had tried to stimulate interest for a service organization.

Representatives from ANPA, ANPA Foundation and American Press Institute attended the Reston meeting as observers. They were Don McVey, ANPA; Stewart Macdonald and Steve Palmedo, ANPA Foundation, and Malcolm Mallette, API.