



December 23, 2022

Mr. Christopher Shelton
President
Communications Workers of America
501 Third Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Shelton:

As chair of C-SPAN's board, I am replying to your December 19th letter to the C-SPAN Board's Executive Committee.

C-SPAN is a 501-c-3 not-for-profit corporation governed by a 17-member board mostly comprised of the CEOs of cable operating companies who distribute our networks.

Allan Block, Chairman of Block Communications, has indeed been a member of C-SPAN's board of directors since 1991. Block Communications has made C-SPAN's three public affairs networks available to its customers since that time as a public service.

Your letter makes reference to C-SPAN's well-earned reputation for neutral, objective coverage of the political process. Our board has helped preserve that objectivity by codifying in its bylaws a provision which ensures that neither directors nor their companies can influence the editorial content of C-SPAN programming.

Likewise, over its 43-year history, C-SPAN has never involved itself in any management issue concerning any of the companies represented on our board or who otherwise distribute our networks.

Respectfully,

Patrick J. Esser
President and Board Chairman
C-SPAN

cc: Julie Laulis
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