

August 4, 1967

Mr. Ed Harvey  
Radio Station WCAU  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Harvey:

It is now two weeks since I phoned your office asking for time to respond to Charles Roberts under the "fairness doctrine". You have not in any way responded, so I make this formal demand.

In your case, this is a particularly grievous offense. It is almost a year since I accepted an invitation from your producer to face Arlen Specter on your show. He apparently did not accept, as I predicted to her. In that time you have not, as then indicated, asked me to appear without him. More recently, you aired Charles Roberts. His views may coincide with your own, but they are grossly and not accidentally inaccurate, they damage me, and at the time you aired him your staff refused to air calls from people who phoned in opposition demanding I be given the opportunity for response, which could then have been accomplished by telephone. I know this because they phoned me and informed me of it while you were airing Roberts. He has repeatedly refused to confront me.

Your policy and attitude are not those of your station, which I freely acknowledge. On other shows there is a conscious effort by WCAU to present both sides on this very controversial issue. You, however, reach a special audience.

I will be in Philadelphia September 19 and I herewith make formal request for equal time on that day to make response under the "fairness doctrine". In this I will specifically address myself to response and refutation, and it will be specific. If there is anything in addition you would desire, please let me know. Copies of my three published books are now available at WCAU. If you wish additional copies, I will send them.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg