

CORE - CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY
38 Park Row, New York 38, New York

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TO: Affiliated CORE groups, National Advisory Committee, National Officers

FROM: James R. Robinson, Executive Secretary

RE: Application for affiliation from Portland Committee of Racial Equality (CORE)
and from Rock Hill, S. C. Committee on Registration Education (CORE)

PROCEDURE ON THESE AFFILIATIONS: These affiliations will be the first item of business at the National Council. Each local should instruct its delegate to vote for or against each group applying for affiliation. If action is favorable, as anticipated, the delegate from the new group will then have a vote throughout the rest of the Council meeting.

PORTLAND: The group was organized as a result of a visit to Portland, Oregon by field secretary Gordon R. Carey from May 10 to 16, 1959. First formal meeting was held in June and the group sent in their application for affiliation on September 3. The affiliation fee has been paid.

They have 18 members and there are 27 others on the mailing list. The group meets every two weeks and has committees on public accommodations, housing, and employment. Have worked on securing employment for Negroes in a local department store and plan to work on flight crew employment in major airlines. Have investigated exclusion and segregation in skating rinks, restaurants, and bars. They are prompt in answering correspondence.

The constitution of the group is basically the sample constitution with a few minor changes. Officers are elected for a six month term in January and June. They are:

President	Mr. Reuel S. Amdur, 2016 N.W. Overton Street
Vice-President	Mr. John Daniels, 3525 N.E. Williams
Secretary	Mr. David Flannigan, 341 N.E. 76th Avenue
Treasurer	(Mrs.) Hazel Warren, 3936 North Albina

Recommendations: Gordon R. Carey, who assisted the group in its formation recommends affiliation. The National Action Committee concurs.

ROCK HILL: The Rock Hill, South Carolina Committee on Registration Education (CORE) was formed on October 28, 1959. The group has 15 active members and 12 associate members. The group meets twice monthly and has a Transportation Committee. They have discussed and accept the CORE Rules For Action.

The group in a three-day campaign in very bad weather was able to register 161 Negroes to vote. They have also assisted in the Greenville Airport Demonstration.

The group has not submitted a constitution. Officers are:

Chairman	Mr. Thomas M. Murdock, 510 Lige Street, Rock Hill
Vice Chairman	Mr. Pinkney Brown, 322 Fewell Street, Rock Hill
Treasurer	Mr. John I. Ingram, Catawba, South Carolina
Secretary	Mr. J. B. Starnes, 436 Allen Street, Rock Hill

Recommendations: Both James T. McCain and Gordon R. Carey, who have worked with this group, recommend affiliation. The National Action Committee endorses affiliation.