

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Ethics Commission

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November 18, 1992

John E. Flynn
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Dear Mr. Flynn:

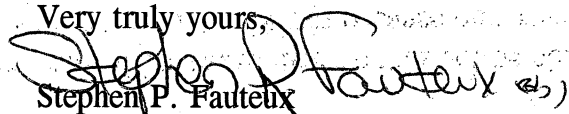
This will acknowledge receipt of your November 6, 1992 letter. The information you furnished is being reviewed by our staff. We appreciate your bringing this matter to our attention.

Unless the matter is resolved publicly, you should be aware that we will not be able to inform you of what action we take regarding your complaint. This is because our enacting statute, G.L. c. 268B, and our procedures impose strict confidentiality requirements on all aspects of our review of complaints. We trust you can understand that protecting the confidentiality of our investigations and our sources is essential to our effectiveness, and to complainants' and subjects' legitimate privacy concerns.

You will receive a letter from us when we have completed reviewing this matter. If the matter is closed without an investigation or with a confidential letter to the subject, your letter will simply state that the staff has concluded that there was no violation or that this matter does not warrant further action by the Commission at this time. The letter will not inform you of the details of our review or of the particulars of the confidential resolution. If the matter is resolved publicly, we will send you a copy of the public resolution.

We include this information in this acknowledgement letter so that you may have reasonable expectations as to what response to your complaint you will be receiving in the future. We appreciate your forwarding this information to us. We are very much aware of the importance of individual complainants to the Commission's enforcement of the conflict of interest law, G.L. c. 268A.

Very truly yours,


Stephen P. Fauteux
Enforcement Division Chief

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Comm. from Stephen P. Fauteux, Enforcement Division Chief, State Ethics Commission, regarding the enforcement of the conflict of interest law.

In City Council,

December 14, 1992

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