

May 28, 1999

Mr. Robert Healy
City Manager
City of Cambridge
Cambridge City Hall
795 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Healy,

I am writing because I am interested in serving as the elderly representative on the Cambridge Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. I am an elderly resident of Housing, living in Lyndon B. Johnson Apartments. I have lived in Johnson apartments for five years, but have lived in public housing in Cambridge for over 30 years. As a resident of public housing, I believe I can make a special contribution to the CHA Board. My many experiences in volunteer and community service work give me the background to participate on the CHA Board as a commissioner.

As a public housing resident, I have served on the tenant council of Woodrow Wilson Court as secretary and a delegate to the CHA Tenant Senate. During that time, I went to many Massachusetts Union of Public Housing Tenants seminars and learned a lot about how public housing works. This would be very important to me as a CHA Board member.

I have been a very active resident of Cambridge. As a member of the Western Avenue Baptist Church since moving to Cambridge in 1951, I have helped to spearhead the church's involvement in the River Festival, and also serve as a Deaconess. I am very proud of my role in opening the free food program at the church 12 years ago, which serves close to 50 needy families the second Wednesday of every month. My other volunteer work includes the Cambridge Food Pantry Network, which I help to set up through the CEOC. I also helped to set up the USDA surplus food sites in Cambridge in the 1980's. These experiences, as well as my experiences when I worked at the Graham Park Community School, have made me very aware of the situations of Cambridge's less fortunate families, many of whom live in public housing.

I am an active supporter of city elected officials and have worked for the Cambridge Election Commission for over 30 years. I started my involvement with the Election Commission as an inspector, and I am now a trained warden. As an involved citizen of Cambridge, I am a frequent visitor to city hall. I am also a participant in activities at the Cambridge senior center.

I raised my own daughter in public housing and she is now a successful psychotherapist and social worker. The CHA has been more than a good place for me to live; it has been my home. I hope to serve on the Board to make sure that other families have the same chance that my family did to live in a clean, safe place in a City like Cambridge, and to represent the elderly residents' concerns.

Please call me if you need to know more or would like to ask me any questions. My telephone number is 441-6959.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joyce Lee Smith". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Joyce Lee Smith

RESUME

GERARD JAMES CLARK
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Cambridge, Massachusetts 02140
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PRESENT POSITION: Professor of Law, Suffolk University Law School,
41 Temple Street, Boston, MA 02114, 617-573-8573
since 1973.

COURSES TAUGHT: Federal Courts - A description of the separation
of powers doctrine as it has been developed in
American judicial decisions;

Constitutional Law - The basic first year
constitutional survey required for all first year
students covering judicial review, congressional
power, and individual rights;

Labor Law - A thorough examination of the
National Labor Relations Act as well as some of
the civil rights and employment laws;

Civil Rights Seminar - A detailed discussion of
the laws protecting civil rights in employment,
public access and housing;

Legal Process - A course in applied
jurisprudence, studying the application of the
writings of Fuller, H.L.A. Hart, Henry Hart, the
Utilitarians, the Positivists and the Realists as
applied to a limited number of judicial decisions;

Professional Responsibility - A course on the
Code of Professional Responsibility for American
Lawyers as well as an inquiry into the questions
of the delivery of legal services, access to
legal services and certain topics in moral
philosophy.

In fall of 1984, spent a six month sabbatical as a Visiting Professor at
the University of Barcelona where I taught comparative constitutional law
and did an extensive study of the legal profession in Spain.

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COMPLEX LITIGATION SPECIALIST:

Since admission to the Bar in 1970 I have concentrated my activities as a lawyer in the area of public interest complex litigation. The following is a mere sample of the cases that I have handled:

Pavrides v. New England Patriots Football Club, Inc., 397 Mass. 525, 675 F. Supp. 697, 701, 706, 707 (1987) class action: representing 2400 minority stockholders of the defendant-corporation claiming federal securities fraud in corporate freeze-out;

Hoffer v. Dept. of Corrections, 397 Mass. 152 (1968) a defense of the right to counsel visitations in maximum security prisons;

Mass. Construction Employers v. White, 425 N.E. 2d 346 (Mass. 1982) (retained by the City of Boston to defend the affirmative action plan favoring residents of the City of Boston in the construction industry funded by the City of Boston);

Perez v. Boston Housing Authority, 368 Mass. 333 (1979) (represented the city-wide tenants association in an action which culminated in the receivership of the Boston Housing Authority because of massive code violations in the public housing projects);

Reeder v. Spence, 416 N.E. 2d 914 (1981) (disapproval by the Massachusetts Supreme Court of an emergency eviction plan designed to evict the criminal element from Boston public housing);

New Jersey Welfare Rights v. Cahill, 349 F. Supp. 491 (Three Judge Court), 349 F. Supp. 503, 411 U.S. 1700 (1973) (represented some 500,000 welfare recipients in the City of New Jersey challenging an alteration in the calculations of budgets for recipients of the Federal Aid to Dependent Children Program)

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1974 - Present

Commissioner of the Cambridge Housing Authority. The Cambridge Housing Authority owns or leases some 4000 units housing about 10% of the population of the City of Cambridge. The Authority has a budget of over 20 million dollars and employs over 150. The Authority administers a large number of programs including Section 8, Elderly and Conventional Public Housing, the Workforce Unemployment Prevention Program, and an annual construction budget of approximately \$25M. The position of Commissioner is appointive by the City Manager of Cambridge. Position requires extensive contact with local, state and federal government. Serves as the board's hearing officer hearing all claims for emergency housing as well as union grievances and civil service hearings.

1985 - 1990

Instructor, Commissioner's Training Program. A series of three day institutes for housing authority board members covering issues in finance, management, development, tenant selection, etc.

1988 - 1990

Receiver, Boston Housing Court. Appointed to take charge of the dilapidated premises at 2855 Washington St. and to assist in solving the violations of the State Sanitary Code.

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:

1973 - 1978

President of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Correctional Legal Services Project. The Project with a budget of some \$200,000 provided legal services to prisoners at the state prisons. Currently Chairman of a panel of lawyers to whom the Massachusetts Supreme Court refers cases as needed.

1973 - 1978

Counsel to the Third World Jobs Clearing House, an office funded pursuant to the Boston plan to refer minorities to construction sights covered by affirmative action plans.

1977 - Summer

Special Assistant District Attorney for Suffolk County. Tried well over 100 criminal cases ranging from shoplifting to rape.

1970 - 1973

Staff attorney at the Newark Legal Service Law Reform Project where I represented low income clients who were unable to pay for legal services. The focus of the Project was to do class action test litigation to bring about institutional reform. My specialities included welfare, public housing and employment discrimination.

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- 1969 - 1970 Law Clerk. Served one year as a law clerk to Judge Bilder of the New Jersey Superior Court which is the trial court of general jurisdiction.
- 1968 - Summer Legal Assistant with the United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division where I assisted in the work up of school desegregation cases and Title VII cases against various labor unions and companies

OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND HONORS:

American Bar Association;
Task Force on Housing of the Boston Bar Association;
Steering Committee of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of the Boston Bar Association;
National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials;
Citizens Housing and Planning Association

PUBLICATIONS:

The Creation of the Newark Plan, 23 Catholic Univ. Law Rev. 443 (1974) (a summary of the extensive efforts I was involved with in integrating the construction trades in the city of Newark);

Ingraham v. Wright and the Decline of Due Process, 12 Suff. Law Rev. 1151 (1978) (in this landmark case the Supreme Court approved the use of corporal punishment in public schools and changed due process doctrine substantially reducing the hearing requirement when liberty and property interests are deprived);

Fear and Loathing in New Orleans: The Sorry Fate of the Kutak Commission's Rules, 17 Suff. Law Rev. 79 (1983) (a review of the four drafts of the Kutak Commission's rules which were adopted by the American Bar Association as new Code of Professional Responsibility for America's 600,000 lawyers);

Rent Control in Massachusetts: A Survey, 73 Mass. L. Rev. 160 (1988) - a survey of the legal requirements of rent control in Boston, Brookline and Cambridge;

Checks and Imbalances, 72 Mass. L. Rev. 15 (1987) - a critique of the Court's recent separation of powers decisions;

An Introduction to the Legal Profession in Spain, Arizona Journal of International and Comparative Law (1988). A review of the demographics and the codes of professional responsibility in Spain.

Housing in the United States - A Survey of the Government's Role, IV Journades de Dret Catala a Tossa 249 (1988) Written as an introduction for the foreign audience.

BAR MEMBERSHIPS:

Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York

EDUCATION:

Seton Hall University, B.A. cum laude,
Classical Languages and Philosophy, 1966.
Columbia University School of Law, J.D., 1969.

PERSONAL:

Married with three beautiful daughters.



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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

RICHARD C. ROSSI
Deputy City Manager

July 26, 1999

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I am hereby transmitting notification of the following persons as members of the Cambridge Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, subject to City Council confirmation:

Joyce Lee Smith
Lyndon B. Johnson Apts.
Erie Street

Gerald Clark
81 Orchard Street

Term Expiration

September 30, 2000
Filling the unexpired term of
Ruth Pellitier

March 30, 2004
Labor Representative

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Consent Agenda #8

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Relative to the appointment
of the following Cambridge
Housing Authority Board
Commissioners: Lee Smith,
Lyndon B. Johnson Apts., Erie
St. Clark, 81 Orchard Street

In City Council July 26, 1999

APPOINTMENTS
CONFIRMED 9-0-0