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December 19, 1984

Mr. Jon M. Beekman
Manager of Water Resources
Water Department
250 Fresh Pond Parkway
Cambridge, Mass. 02138

Re: Conflict of interest

Dear Mr. Beekman:

Your letter of December 7 requests my opinion, pursuant to G.L. c. 268A, §22, regarding a possible conflict of interest.

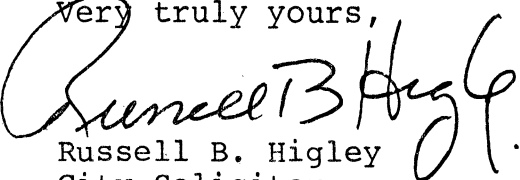
The facts, according to your letter, are as follows:

I have been approached by Camp, Dresser, and McKee (CDM), One Center Plaza, Boston, Mass.; contact person Steve Medlar, Associate, to participate as an expert consultant to that firm. The consultation would be as part of a team presentation for a resource security project for a Pennsylvania utility to which CDM has been invited to submit a proposal. My participation, if a positive opinion is received from your office, would involve approximately two (2) days of work utilizing time outside of my regular work hours, (ie) vacation days. Final compensation is still negotiable but would be less than \$2000. There is no interest that I am aware of, by the City of Cambridge in this project.

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Since your participation in this project would utilize time outside of your regular working hours and the City of Cambridge has no interest in the project, it is my opinion that your participation would not result in a violation of the conflict of interest law, G.L. c. 268A.

Very truly yours,



Russell B. Higley
City Solicitor

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cc: Clerk's Office

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