



# OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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JOSEPH E. CONNARTON  
CITY CLERK

JOHN E. FLYNN  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

September 28, 1990

**TO:** ROBERT W. HEALY  
CITY MANAGER

**FROM:** JOSEPH E. CONNARTON *JEC*  
CITY CLERK

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR LEGAL OPINION RE: JURISDICTION.

The Committee on Cable TV and Communications held a public hearing on Tuesday, September 25, 1990 relative to the communications the City Council had received from George Welch, a/k/a Jack regarding Cable TV issues.

At this hearing Mr. Welch raised the issue of the City Council jurisdiction to hold said public hearing due to the fact that the City Manager is the issuing authority.

Councillor Walsh requested the City Clerk to request a legal opinion from the City Solicitor on the issue.

Would you kindly forward this request to the City Solicitor for said legal opinion.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



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September 20, 1990

Ms. Geri Hamlin  
P. O. Box 8435  
Boston, MA 02114

Dear Ms. Hamlin:

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Ms. Carolynn Jones  
205 Walden Street 4A  
Cambridge, MA

Dear Ms. Jones:

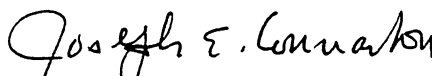
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Mr. Amos Hosletter  
Chief Executive Officer  
Continental Cablevision, Inc.  
The Pilot House  
Lewis Wharf  
Boston, MA 02110

Dear Mr. Hosletter:

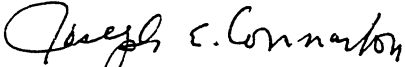
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Mr. Robert Hilliard  
38 Essex Street  
Cambridge, MA

Dear Mr. Hilliard:

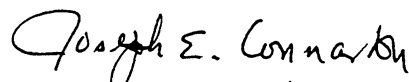
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Ms. Karen Kosko  
44 Thingvalla Avenue  
Cambridge, MA

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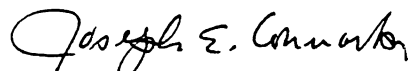
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Ms. Paula Van Gelder  
12 Ware Street  
Cambridge, MA

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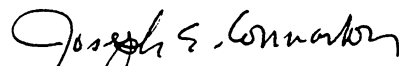
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Community Arts Center  
P. O. Box 554  
Cambridge, MA

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30 Antrim Street  
Cambridge, MA

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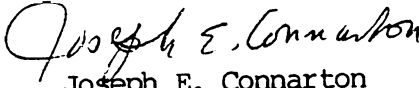
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Mr. Peter Wyman  
Cambridge Trust Company  
1336 Mass. Avenue  
Cambridge, MA

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Mr. Peter Ladue  
2 Speridakis Terrace  
Cambridge, MA

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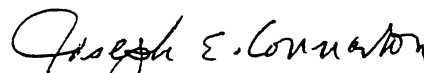
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Mr. Johnathan Bliss  
18 Tufts Street  
Cambridge, MA

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George F. Welch Jr. a.k.a Jack  
member & Elected Representative of  
the members of the Cambridge  
Public Access Corporation  
(h) 3 Woodrow Wilson Ct #2  
Cambridge MA 02139  
(617) 354-1307

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90 SEP 20 AM 10:54  
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

September 20, 1990

Joseph E Connarton, City Clerk  
John E Flynn, Deputy City Clerk  
City of Cambridge

SEP 20 11:08  
CAMBRIDGE MA.

Dear Clerk Connarton and Deputy Clerk Flynn

#1 Please be advised that notice of the public hearing  
by Councilor William Walsh, Chairman of the Cable Television  
Committee for Tuesday, September 25, 1990 at 5:30 PM  
in the Sullivan Chamber of City Hall should be  
sent to Amos Hostetter, Chief Executive Officer of  
Continental Cablevision Inc., The Pilot House, Lewis  
Wharf, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, because he  
is the Continental Cablevision Official ~~again~~ that I complained  
against. (See part 1 of attached Complaint.)

#2 Also be advised that notice of the public hearing should  
be sent to each of the individuals whose names appear  
in (3) of the Complaint.

Thank you for giving this matter your prompt attention.

cc: Cable TV License Issuing Authority Robert Healy.

George F Welch Jr  
a.k.a Jack MERMCPAC

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
**MASSACHUSETTS CABLE TELEVISION COMMISSION**  
 100 CAMBRIDGE STREET  
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02202  
 (617) 727-6925

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**AUG 14 1990**  
 CABLE TELEVISION  
 COMMISSION

**COMPLAINANT:** <sup>member and elected representative</sup>  
 Name: George F. Welch Jr of the 700+ members of Cambridge Community Television Home Phone: 354-1307  
 Address: 3 Woodrow Wilson Ct #24 Cambridge Business Phone: Same  
 Former Address: N/A Date Received: 14 August 1990  
 Date Resolved: \_\_\_\_\_

Community: Cambridge MA **REFERRAL:**  
 Cable Operator: Continental Cablevision ( ) Phone ( ) Letter ( ) AG's Referral  
 Contact: Amos Hostetter, Chief Executive Officer ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: 742-9500

**TYPE OF COMPLAINT:**  
 ( ) Installation ( ) Service ( ) Billing  
 ( ) Disconnection ( ) Marketing ( X ) Other  
 Was complaint discussed with Cable Operator? (  ) Yes ( ) No  
 Date: Phil Ripa, Pety Heffernan, Robert Sacks of Continental various times between April 1990 + Present

**DESCRIBE COMPLAINT:**  
 1. This is a complaint against Amos Hostetter, Chief Executive Officer of Continental Cablevision and his designees and assigns for wrongfully collecting and raising cable rates of the City of Cambridge cable subscribers when he and his designees and assigns have known or should have known that a no time between the time of the Transfer Application in 1987 for the City of Cambridge Operation and the present have he or his designees and assigns complied with Section 2.2.b.h (2) (3) of the 1985 Final License or Section 7.2, Section 6.5 Section 6.4, Section 6.1, Section 5.5, Section 5.3, Section 4.1(a) Section 3.2, Section 2.8 b, Section 2.1 b of the Separate 1985 agreement between the Cambridge Public Access Corporation and Continental's limited partner American Northeast.

2. This is also a complaint against the City of Cambridge's Issuing Authority, Robert Heally and City Solicitor Russel Higgley for their breach of duty in 1988 of Cover.

**ACTION TAKEN (Be Specific):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Complaint Resolved:**  
 ( ) Yes ( ) No  
 If No, why: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR CABLE OPERATOR USE ONLY**  
**ACTION TAKEN (Be Specific):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Complaint Resolved:**  
 ( ) Yes ( ) No  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **If No, why:** \_\_\_\_\_

A. failing to execute a Certificate As To Satisfaction of Condition with regard to the granting of Continental Cablevision's Application for Transfer (See Section 21.15 of the final CATV License) and for failing and refusing on May 31, 1990 to perform the duties of Issuing Authority as set out in Section 14.19 (Determination of Breach) based upon written information provided by the complainant George F. Welch Jr that Continental had not been in compliance since 1988 with the license <sup>between the Cambridge Public Access Corp and America</sup> by providing the 8 channels and necessary equipment as required by the Final License.

3. This is also a Complaint against Irwin Hipsman, an employee of the individuals claiming to be members of the Board of Directors of the Cambridge Community Television Inc., the management Corporation of the Cambridge Public Access Cable facility and against the following named individuals who since becoming alleged members of CCTV's board of directors have concealed from CCTV's members and the Issuing Authority of Cambridge, Robert Healy, facts showing that each of them was a member of CCTV, and had <sup>before claiming a position on the board,</sup> complied fully and completely with CCTV's BY-Law requirements for CCTV Board Members, and that they are legally entitled to receive and spend CCTV's money or manage its property, those individuals of question are, (1) Robert Hilliard, 30 Essex St. Cambridge, (2) Karen Kosko 49 Thingvalla Ave Cambridge (3) Margaret Lazarus 242 Lexington Ave Cambridge (4) Paula Van Gelder 12 Ware St Cambridge (5) Peter Ladue & Speridakis Terr Camb, (6) Bill Murphy 34 Ash St Cambridge (7) Dinah Olamoff 30 Antrim St Camb, (8) Geri Hamlin Po Box 8435 Boston 02114 (9) Carolyn Jones 205 Walden St 4A Cambridge (10) Susan Richards, Community Arts Center ~~PO Box 554 Camb~~ (11) Peter Wyman, Cambridge Trust Cor 1336 Mass Avenue, Cam. (12) Johnathan Bliss 18 Tufts St. Camb.

The basis for this complaint is more fully set out in my April 17, 1990 letters and my April 24, 1990 letter copies of which are attached.



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September 19, 1990

**TO:** VICE MAYOR KENNETH REEVES  
COUNCILLOR WALTER SULLIVAN

**FROM:** JOSEPH E. CONNARTON  
CITY CLERK *JEC*

**SUBJECT:** COMMITTEE ON CABLE TELEVISION

Please be advised Councillor William Walsh, Chairman of the above referenced committee has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, September 25, 1990 beginning at 5:30 P. M.

The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss concerns previously raised by Mr. George Welch, a/k/a Jack.

You are requested to attend at this time.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



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September 18, 1990

Mr. George S. Welch, Jr.  
3 Woodrow Wilson Court #24  
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Welch:

Please be advised that the City Council was in receipt of your recent communication at the City Council meeting held on September 17, 1990 and referred your communication to the Cable Television Committee.

Councillor William Walsh, Chairman of the Cable Television Committee has scheduled a public hearing on your request for Tuesday, September 25, 1990 at 5:30 P. M. in the Sullivan Chamber, City Hall, Cambridge, MA.

Your attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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c.c. City Manager Robert W. Healy



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Mr. Philip S. Ripa  
General Manager  
Continental Cablevision  
88 Sherman Street  
Cambridge, MA 02140

Dear Mr. Ripa:

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1990 SEP 11 AM 11:41  
CAMBRIDGE MA.

To the Honorable City Council Sept. 11, 1990

<sup>c/o</sup>  
Joseph E. Connarton  
Clerk of the City of Cambridge  
City Hall, Cambridge MA

Dear Mr. City Clerk and The Honorable City Council and City Manager

I respectfully request that immediately upon receipt, you serve upon Robert W. Healy, City Manager, the attached Complaint against Amos Hostetter, Chief Executive Officer of Continental Cablevision and others and the attached Public Notice of Demand For Public Hearing under Mass. Gen law Chapter 166A:11.

I am also requesting that you put on the agenda for the next regular meeting of City Manager Healy's employers, the Cambridge City Council on September 17, 1990 under old business, this request and the Complaint and the attached Public Notice of Demand For Hearing and my May 30, 1990 testimony referred to in your June 1, 1990 Memo To City Manager Healy containing the expectation of Mr. Healy's response within two weeks (of June 1, 1990).

Thank you for your cooperation in  
this matter

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PUBLIC NOTICE

OF THIS DEMAND THAT ROBERT HEALY, CITY OF  
CAMBRIDGE AUTHORITY FOR ISSUING CABLE TV LICENSES,  
PROMPTLY STOP HIS DELAY IN COMPLYING WITH MASS GEN.

LAW CHAPTER 166A:11 BY PROMPTLY HOLDING A PUBLIC  
HEARING IN THE MATTER OF REVOKING THE CABLE TELEVISION  
LICENSE ERRONEOUSLY GRANTED TO CONTINENTAL CABLEVISION  
IN FEBRUARY 1988 IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 2(h) OF THE 1985

CABLE TV LICENSE WHICH STATES:

" The consent of the Issuing Authority to a Transfer of the  
Final license shall not be given if it appears from the  
application or from subsequent investigation that: (1) the  
consideration being paid in the proposed transaction includes  
a substantial payment for the License and the Transfer occurs  
prior to completion of the construction of the Cable Television  
System and System Activation of the entire System (2) the License  
will not be adhered to; or (3) the Transferee fails to re-execute  
the Licensee's contract with CPAC". CPAC is the non profit  
corporation, Cambridge Public Access Corporation.

The Press is requested to bring this demand to the attention  
of the 20,000 plus City of Cambridge cable subscribers who may  
have been wrongfully subjected to rate increases or termination  
of service by Continental and who may not have been informed by  
the members of the Cambridge City Council's Cable Committee of  
their rights to a public hearing on this matter.

The facts in support of this demand, which are not disputed  
by Continental's representatives, are set out in the May 30,  
1990 testimony of George F. Welch Jr. a.k.a. Jack <sup>on request</sup> (copy attached)  
and his August 14, 1990 Complaint to Rosalind Niles, Commissioner  
of the Massachusetts Community Antenna Television Commission  
(copy) <sup>on request</sup> attached.

1 Sept 10, 1990  
George F. Welch Jr. a.k.a. Jack  
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 - Called Gene 8-16-90 to discuss the message on tape  
 he called here three times today & he told April  
 he will come in tomorrow; (4 times 8-16-90)  
 Complaint Resolved: ( ) Yes ( ) No  
 If No, why: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ACTION TAKEN (Be Specific):**  
As 283 withdrawn pursuant request of Mr. Welch on 8/20/90  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Complaint Resolved: ( ) Yes ( ) No  
 If No, why: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. failing to execute a Certificate As To Satisfaction of Condition with regard to the granting of Continental Cablevision's Application for Transfer (See Section 21.15 of the final CATV License) and for failing and refusing on May 31, 1990 to perform the duties of Issuing Authority as set out in Section 14.19 (Determination of Breach) based upon written information provided by the complainant George F. Welch Jr that Continental had not been in compliance since 1988 with the License between the Cambridge Public Access Corp and American by providing the 8 channels and necessary equipment as required by the Final License.

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3. This is also a Complaint against Irwin Hipsman, an employee of the individuals claiming to be members of the Board of Directors of the Cambridge Community Television Inc., the management Corporation of the Cambridge Public Access Cable facility and against the following named individuals who since becoming alleged members of CCTV's board of directors have concealed from CCTV's members and the Issuing Authority of Cambridge,

Robert Healy, facts showing that each of them was a member of CCTV, and had complied fully and completely with CCTV's BY-Law requirements for CCTV Board Members, and that they are legally entitled to receive and spend CCTV's money or manage its property, those individuals of question are, (1) Robert Hilliard, 38 Essex St Cambridge, Karen Kosko 49 Thingvalla Ave Cambridge (2) Margaret Lazarus 242 Lexington Ave Cambridge (4) Paula Van Gelder 12 Ware St Cambridge (5) Peter Ladue 2 Speridakis Terr Camb, (6) Bill Murphy 34 Ash St Cambridge (7) Dinah Olmanoff 30 Antrim St Camb, (8) Geri Hamlin P.O. Box 8435 Boston 02114 (9) Carolyn Jones 205 Walden St 4A Cambridge (10) Susan Richards, Community Arts Center For Boys 554 Camb (11) Peter Wyman, Cambridge Trust Cor 1336 Mass Avenue, Cam. (12) Johnathan Bliss 18 Tufts St. Camb.  
The basis for this complaint is more fully set out in my April 17, 1990 letters and my April 24, 1990 letter copies of which are attached.

Comm. from George S. Welch, Jr., a/k/a  
Jack Welch requesting a hearing before  
the City Council regarding cable tv.

In City Council,

Sept. 17, 1990

*Referred to the Cable  
Television Committee  
Hearing scheduled  
for Sept. 25, 1990 at  
5:30 p.m.*

*petitioner & Continental  
Cable notified 9/18/90*

1990 SEP 27 PM 12:12  
CAMBRIDGE MA.

George F. Welch Jr. a.k.a. Jack  
Member + Elected Representative  
of the 700 + Members of the  
Cambridge Public Access Corporation  
(h) 3 Woodrow Wilson Ct # 24  
Cambridge MA. 02139  
(617) 354-1307

Thursday September 27, 1990

The Honorable Cambridge City Council  
City Hall

I

I On or before the Monday, October 1, 1990 meeting of the Cambridge City Council, I expect you to Order your employee, Robert Healy, City Manager and CATV Issuing authority, to perform his duties as Issuing Authority by conducting Hearings as required under Mass Gen law chapter 166A:11 and Section 14.15 "Revocation of License" of the Final Cable Television License for the purpose of recovering for the City of Cambridge \$~~400~~500 per day that the Cable TV Licensee owes the City for non compliance with <sup>Section</sup> 18.1 a. and Section 11.1 and Section 11.3 a and the sections of the Final CATV License set out in my August 14, 1990 Complaint.

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You are also expected to Order your employee

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SEP 27 PM 12:12  
 CAMBRIDGE MA.

Robert Healy, City Manager, to perform his duties as Issuing Authority as set out in Section 14 "Administration and Regulation" of the Final CATV License by Ordering his appointee to the Cambridge Public Access Corporation, Paula Van Gelder to perform her duties as President of the Board of Directors by making the payments of monies as requested in my April 17, 1990 letter, part 3.

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You are also expected to discontinue referring any matter regarding Complaints involving financial injury or loss of property rights to your Cable Television Committee because there is no further question that the members of your CATV committee have no power under Mass Law or the final CATV License to resolve said problems

George S. Welch Jr. a.k.a. Jack  
 EM & ERMCPAC

10.

Comm. from George F. Welch, a/k/a  
Jack, 3 Woodrow Wilson Court, relative  
to cable television issues.

In City Council,

Oct. 1, 1990

*Referred to  
Committee Report #1  
of this date.*

The Committee on Cable TV and Communications conducted a public hearing on Tuesday, September 25, 1990 beginning at 5:40 p. m. in the Sullivan Chamber, City Hall.

Members present were: Councillor William Walsh, Councillor Walter Sullivan, Councillor Sheila Russell and City Clerk Joseph E. Connarton.

The purpose of this hearing was in response to communications received by the City Council from George Welch a/k/a Jack.

Councillor Sullivan presiding pro tem opened the hearing by requesting the petitioner to come forward.

The committee then heard from Mr. George Welch, 3 Woodrow Wilson Court, Cambridge, who rather than outline his concerns to the City Council relating to the operation and franchise of Continental Cablevision questioned the authority of the City Council to hold such a hearing as it relates to Chapter 166A of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Mr. Welch further stated that he did not ask for a hearing before the City Council but had requested the City Manager as the issuing authority for this franchise to hold such a hearing.

Councillor Sullivan responded by stating this hearing was being held by vote of the City Council which referred his communication dated September 11, 1990 to this committee.

At this time Councillor Sullivan relinquished the chair and Councillor Walsh assumed the chair and again asked Mr. Welch to state whatever facts he wished to place before the City Council as it relates to the operation of cable television in the City of Cambridge.

Mr. Welch again stated that he questioned the jurisdiction of the City Council to hold such a hearing and that it was futile to proceed without the City Manager.

Councillor Walsh stated he would instruct the City Clerk to request a legal opinion from the City Solicitor relative to the issue of jurisdiction.

Councillor Walsh questioned whether anyone wished to come forward to speak to this issue.

No one came forward.

Councillor Russell then moved that the hearing be adjourned.

The motion carried and the hearing was adjourned at five o'clock and fifty-five minutes p. m.

For the Committee,

Councillor William H. Walsh

Chairman

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Cable TV and Communications  
Report for a hearing held on Tuesday,  
Sept. 25, 1990 relative to communications  
received from George Welch a/k/a Jack  
regarding Cable TV issues.

In City Council,

Oct. 1, 1990

*Placed in file  
no further hearings  
to be held on  
motion of Councillor  
Quehry.*