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September 22, 1965

Mr. John J. Curry
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Basically, the so-called "Conflict of Interest" law, G. L. Chap. 268A attempts to regulate the conduct of public employees so that their private interests do not conflict with their public duties. In other words, a municipal employee, whether or not one receives pay for his services, is entrusted with the business of the public and as such should not be permitted to make it the object of pecuniary profit to one's self.

Specifically, the Planning Board had been classified as Special Municipal employees by virtue of City Council Order dated April 15, 1963.

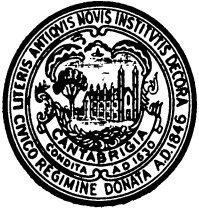
A special municipal employee shall not (a) directly or indirectly receive or request compensation from anyone other than the City in relation to any particular matter in which the City is a party or has a direct and substantial interest; and, (b) act as agent or attorney for anyone other than the City in prosecuting any claim against the City; or as agent or attorney for anyone in connection with any particular matter in which the City is a party or has a direct and substantial interest.

There is a criminal responsibility of Special Municipal Employees unless he files with the City Clerk a statement making a full disclosure of his interest and the interests of his immediate family in any contract with the City, and the City Council approves the exemption of his interest.

Yours very truly,

Mosier B. Goldberg
Acting City Solicitor

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To Paul E. Healy, City Clerk
From Robert A. Bowyer, Director *Rob* **Date** November 6, 1973
Planning & Development Dept.
Subject City Council Order on Special Municipal Employees

As per our telephone conversation of this afternoon,
enclosed is a copy of a letter to John J. Curry from
the City Solicitor regarding special municipal employees.
We are unable to locate the City Council Order as it was
filed 10 years ago. But you will note that the date of
the Order is stated in this letter.

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