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May 13, 1994

Dear Madam or Sir:

In the May first issue of the Cambridge Tab, there was a report of concern expressed by Councillor Kathleen Born that posts on boards and commissions were going unfilled, and a statement was made that much of this was due to lack of response by applicants. I wrote to Councillor Born, who suggested that I redirect my comments to you, for inclusion on the City Council Agenda.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to the City Manager in January after seeing the request for volunteers on Cambridge Cable Television. I never heard anything or even got an acknowledgement that my letter was received. My assumption was that there were many applications for the post from people with qualifications better than me, and mine was somewhere back in the pack.

I don't know exactly what was meant by the statements of requirements for racial, gender, and geographic balance, but if that is an important and presently unfulfillable factor, I would be happy to serve as an interim appointee until what ever is needed is found. I am a middle-aged white male from the Porter Square neighborhood.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



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January 24, 1994

Mr. Robert Healy, City Manager
City of Cambridge
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795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

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Dear Manager Healy:

Having seen the request on Cambridge Cable Television, I would like to be considered for appointment to the Cambridge Police Review and Advisory Board. My interest and concern in law enforcement is life-long, and I am reasonably versed in the issues facing both the community and those who serve and protect it.

I am Managing Investigator for LCF Associates, a private investigations firm headquartered in Braintree. We work nationally in complex financial investigation. Our clients are banks, law firms, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and we are often court-appointed investigators for the bankruptcy courts in many jurisdictions. Our work is plaintiff and prosecutorially oriented, and we do not do defense work. My work almost never brings me in contact with local law enforcement, so I do not believe there is any concern for conflict of interest.

I am familiar with public service and the commitment required to serve faithfully. I have served several terms on two school boards, and been chairman of one. I have served repeated terms as a member of a planning board. These experiences were in the Town of Franconia, New Hampshire, where I lived for many years.

My familiarity with Cambridge and its surroundings begins years ago when I was General Manager of WGBH Radio, a founder of National Public Radio, and a reporter for other media outlets dating back to the late 1950's. I am one of the creators of the Fourth of July Celebration on the Charles River and still serve as Master of Ceremonies and Associate Producer of this event as we prepare for our twenty-first year. While the

visible side of this event centers on the concert and the fireworks, our group, Special Events Group, also facilitates and coordinates a number of police, fire, emergency medical, and public transportation agencies whose work has given this event a two-decade, unparalleled record for a smooth, safe and enjoyable event.

The requirements of my work necessitate regular and ongoing firearms training, with emphasis on the complicated issues surrounding the ethical use of deadly force. My own pursuits have included deep interest and some study in community policing, and the need for a police department which resembles and reflects the community it serves.

I would be happy to furnish references if you should see fit to consider me for this post, and I would be happy to appear for an interview at any time or place.

Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Consent Comm. # 5

Comm. from Robert Carey regarding an ad in
the TAB on unfilled posts on boards and
commissions. S-249

In City Council,

May 23, 1994

Referred to the
City manager.
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