

CELIA JOSEPHSON

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BAR ADMISSION

Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, June 1980
Federal District Court, January 1981

EDUCATION

Northeastern University School of Law, Massachusetts

Juris Doctor degree awarded September, 1979

University of Chicago, Illinois

B.A. 1975, Comparative Literature: English, French and Japanese

Academic Honors

Phi Beta Kappa, cum laude, Nef Prize for French Literature

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Southeastern Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation

January 1980 - present

Staff attorney with 90 percent of caseload responsibility in area of housing, 10 percent in area of protecting the rights of the mentally disabled. Extensive state court practice including class action litigation. Trained in appellate practice.

Community Organizing/Group Representation at S.M.L.A.C.

Described below is a summary of legal and organizational activities to date on behalf of local tenant organizations.

Richmond Street Tenants Association: Am negotiating new lease with local housing authority which affects all state-aided public housing tenants in Brockton; drafted pleadings for class action suit should negotiations be unsuccessful; class action litigation currently pending to recover "Baby Brooke Amendment" rebates.

Southfield Gardens Tenants: Presently opposing current rent increase affecting \$236 and rent supplement subsidy recipients. Providing technical assistance in organizing tenants.

Hillcrest Acres Tenants Association: Negotiating with management to enforce proper rent schedule in MHFA development receiving federal subsidies.

Hillside Village Tenants Association: Assisting in obtaining release of monies earmarked for tenants council under E.O.C.D. tenant participation regulations.

Low Income Housing Coalition: Wrote one section in Administrative complaint filed with HUD alleging improper city use of CDBG funds.

Legislative Advocacy:

Emergency Housing Bills: Organized support for two bills currently being considered by the House of Representatives after favorable reading by Urban Affairs Committee.

Bill Preventing Condominium Conversion in Massachusetts, the "opt-out" bill: Gathered statistics and lobbied local representatives.

Federal initiative to raise tenant rents from 25 percent to 30 percent of tenant income: Compiling local statistics to combat bill.

Cambridge & Somerville Legal Services, Cambridge, MA - Law Intern
December 1977 - February 1978, and June 1979 - October 1979

Bore caseload responsibilities in areas of public benefits, landlord-tenant law, immigration and probate. While a third-year student, court practice permitted.

Strimaitus and Kehoe, Lynn, MA - Law Intern
December 1978 - January 1979

Negotiated with the Department of Labor and prepared motions in a challenge to the election of certain union officials under Title IV of the Landrum-Griffin Act.

Mass. Department of Public Health, Boston, MA - Law Clerk
September 1978 - November 1978

Prepared memoranda concerning: sex discrimination in state hospital programs, liabilities of receivers appointed to manage substandard nursing homes, rights of unlicensed personnel to administer controlled substances and the authority of the Department of Public Health to condition renewal of hospital licensure on the acceptance of Medicaid patients.

The Prisoner's Union, San Francisco, CA - Legal Intern
June 1977 - September 1977

Surveyed current official policies governing visitation at all California prisons and drafted memoranda covering applicable federal and state visitation law. Chaired and organized meetings of aggrieved friends and families of prisoners. Conducted in-jail interviews with inmates. Researched damage suit against prison guards for alleged brutality.

SELECTED OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Centro de Lenguas de Mexico, Mexico D.F. - Bilingual English teacher
March 1976 - September 1976

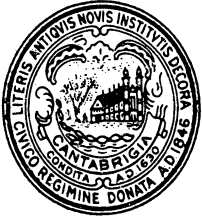
PUBLICATIONS - Contributor to:

Barbara Annis, ed. Our Hyde Park. Chicago: Hyde Park Herald, 1976.
Robert M. Schwartz, ed. Injured on the Job: A Handbook for Massachusetts Workers. Boston: Mass. Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health, 1979.

LANGUAGE SKILLS - Fluent Spanish and French

REFERENCES available upon request

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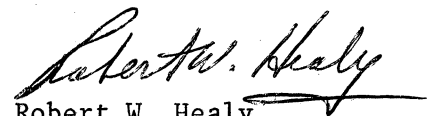
August 2, 1982

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Please be advised that I have appointed Ms. Celia Josephson, 27 Fainwood Circle, Cambridge, as the tenant representative to the Cambridge Rent Control Board, replacing Joanne Duhl who has resigned.

Ms. Josephson's resume is attached for your information.

Very truly yours,


Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Agenda Item Number Two

A-92

Re: appointment of Celia Josephson as tenant representative to the Rent Control Board.

In City Council,

August 2, 1982

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