

**BOARD OF ETHICS**

City of Stamford  
888 Washington Blvd.  
Stamford, CT 06904

June 23, 1995

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request for an advisory opinion, you met with the Board of Ethics on Tuesday, June 20, 1995.

You explained the situation involving a proposal for a project in which you have special expertise, but on which one or two of your clients (developers) might bid. Your expertise would be made available to the City at no cost.

After our discussion, you posed nine specific questions, the answers to which comprise the Board's advisory opinion.

1. The Board sees no problem with your explaining the proposal and applicable law to City officials and the public.
2. Similarly, there would be no problem in your participation in the planning of such a project as a member of the Board on which you serve.
3. You may also participate in the drafting of the RFP which would be sent to potential bidders. However, we must stress that you may not be the sole drafter of the RFP.
4. You may participate in public debate on this project.
5. You may discuss the project or any applicable law with the media.
6. If one of your clients is selected to work on this project, you may work for this client on unrelated matters, provided these matters do not come up before your Board.
7. If none of your clients bid on the project, you may fully participate in the process as a member of your Board.

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- If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please call me at 322-9686.

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Chairman  
Board of Ethics