

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

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Mr. Caesar Marshall. Executive Director ANC 6-8 921 Pennsylvania Avenue. S.E. #108 Washington. D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Marshall:

As follow-up to your discussion last week with Phil Mendelson of the Committee on Government Operations staff. enclosed are four relevant opinion letters.

Letters dated October 22, 1985 and May 28, 1986 by the D.C. Auditor concern questions. respectively. of purchasing and redistricting office space. If your ANC is considering extensive capital improvements to its office space. I would advise that you seek an opinion from the Corporation Counsel.

A June 18, 1979 memo by the Council's General Counsel and also an April 29, 1986 letter by the D.C. Auditor concern the solicitation and acceptance of funds by ANCs. Since the time of these documents the law has been amended slightly. Section 13(1) of the Advisory Neighborhood Councils Act of 1975 (D.C. Code § 1-261(1)) now reads:

"No Commission may solicit or receive funds unless specifically authorized to do so by the Council. except that receipt of individual contributions of \$400 or less need not be approved by the Council. No person shall make any contribution. nor shall a Commission receive any contribution from any person which, when aggregated with all other contributions received from that person. exceeds \$400 per calendar year. Each Commission shall include in the Commission's annual report required pursuant to subsection (j) of this section a report of all contributions received in the previous fiscal year."

I hope this information is helpful to you and the Commissioners of ANC 6-8.

Sincerely,

James E. Nathanson Chair. Committee on Government Operations