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letter to Judge re: renewal of request

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Honorable Eugene D. Serpentelli
Judge, Superior Court of New Jersey
Ocean County Court House
Administration Building
Toms River, New Jersey 08753

Re: Urban League of Greater New
Brunswick vs. Piscataway et al.

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JUDGE SERPENTELLI'S CHAMBERS

My dear Judge Serpentelli:

This will confirm a brief conversation with your
law clerk of this morning.

As you may recall, during our last conference at the
Court House, I raised for Your Honor's consideration a problem
with respect to the ability of the Township to dispose of small
parcels of land in accordance with the requests of prospective
purchasers. For the most part, these requests pertain to non-
conforming building lots, or lots which conform to our zoning
ordinance and will permit one or two homes to be constructed on
the property.

Of particular concern to the Township are those
parcels contained within Site 60. Herewith copies of letters

forwarded by Paul A. Abati, Business Administrator, to prospective purchasers of properties located within Site 60. By and large, each tax lot within Site 60 consists of 2,500 square feet, as reflected on our Tax Map. Piscataway certainly does not wish to violate any Court Order, but it is difficult to understand how the sale of either non-conforming property or one conforming building lot will have a material effect upon the ability of Piscataway to meet its Mount Laurel obligation.

When we met, I had suggested that the Court consider waiving the existing restraint with respect to parcels of property of less than one acre in size. I respectfully renew that request, which I do not believe will meet with substantial opposition from the Urban League based upon informal conversations with Mr. Gelber. I would greatly appreciate your advising us of your position in this matter, so that we can advise the prospective purchasers as to our ability to transfer land to them for development in the normal course.

Your courtesy and cooperation herein will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



PHILLIP LEWIS PALEY

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Enclosure

cc: Bruce Gelber, Esq.
Barbara Williams, Esq.



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OFFICE OF THE
BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATOR

December 27, 1984

Mr. Winston Maddox
304 Park Avenue
Piscataway, NJ 08854

RE: LAND PURCHASE REQUEST
LOT 1 in BLOCK 813

Dear Mr. Maddox:

Your request to purchase Lot 1 in Block 813 is being placed on hold at this time.

A Court Order issued by Judge Eugene D. Serpentelli states in part:

"No site found suitable for residential development by Ms. Lerman in the November 10, 1984 final report shall be approved for development by the Township of Piscataway and any of its official bodies, officers or agents, unless the approval requires a 20% set aside for low and moderate income housing."

Although the parcel you have requested is less than one acre, it is included in an area defined by Ms. Lerman for the purpose above.

Until such time that the circumstances relating to this parcel change, we will delay any possible consideration for sale.

If you desire any additional information, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

Paul A. Abati
Business Administrator

cc: Judge Eugene D. Serpentelli
Phillip L. Paley, Township Attorney
Frank Lee, Township Real Estate Coordinator