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Plaintiff,

LAWRENCE ZIRINSKY,

v.

Defendants,

THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, A Municipal Corporation, and THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY

Plaintiffs,

JOSEPH MORRIS and ROBERT MORRIS,

v.

Defendants,

TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey

ANSWER

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX
COUNTY

Docket No. L 079309-83 P.W.

Civil Action

Docket No. L 054117-83

Plaintiffs,

GARFIELD & COMPANY,

V,

Docket No. L 055956-83 P.W.

Defendants,

MAYOR AND THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, a municipal Corporation, and the members thereof; PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, and the members thereof.

Plaintiffs,

CRANBURY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, a Corporation of the State of New Jersey,

v.

Defendants,

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD and the TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY,

Plaintiffs,

BROWNING-FERRIS INDUSTRIES OF SOUTH JERSEY, INC., A corporation of the State of New Jersey, RICHCRETE CONCRETE COMPANY, a corporation of the State of New Jersey and MID-STATE FILIGREE SYSTEMS, INC., a Corporation of the State of New Jersey,

v.

Defendants,

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD and THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY,

Docket No. L 59643-83

Docket No. L 058046-83 P.W.

Plaintiff,

URBAN LEAGUE OF GREATER NEW BRUNSWICK, et al.

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CHANCERY DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Docket No. C 4122-73

Defendants,

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CARTERET, et al.

Plaintiff,

CRANBURY LAND COMPANY, a New Jersey Limited Partnership,

Docket No. L 070841-83 P.W.

v.

v.

Defendants,

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey located in Middlesex County, New Jersey

The defendants The Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, a municipal corporation of the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, with offices at 23-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey, by way of Answer to the Complaint of the plaintiff says:

### FIRST COUNT

1. Defendant, Township Committee is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to his proofs.

2. The allegations of paragraph 2 of the First
Count of the complaint are admitted.

3. The allegations of paragraph 3 of the First
Count of the complaint are admitted.

4. The allegations of paragraph 4 of the First
Count of the complaint are admitted.

5. Defendant is without sufficient information
to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained
in paragraph 5 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to
his proofs.

6. Defendant is without sufficient information

- 6. Defendant is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 6 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to his proofs.
- 7. Defendant denies all allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the first count.
- 8. Defendant, Township Committee admits the recommendation of the Planning Board described in paragraph 8 of the first count of the complaint, but denies that that recommendation was in any way contrary to the decisions of the Chancery Division or the State Development Guide Plan.
- 9. Defendant admits the allegations of paragraph9 of the First Count.

10- Defendant, Township Committee admits that the Supreme Court decision in Mount Laurel II upheld the decision of the Chancery Division in Urban League, etc., but further states that the ordinance referred to in Mount Laurel II is not the ordinance which is presently in effect in Cranbury Township.

- 11. Defendant, Township Committee states that the Supreme Court opinion in Mount Laurel II speaks for itself.
- 12. Defendant denies all allegations contained in paragraph 12 of the first count.
- 13. Defendant is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to his proofs.
- 14. Defendant is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 14 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to his proofs.
- 15. Defendant is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 15 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to his proofs.
- 16. Defendant is without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 16 of the first count and leaves plaintiff to his proofs.

Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 17 of the first count. 18. With regard to the various allegations contained in paragraph 18 of the first count of the complaint, the defendant, Township Committee, states that its zoning ordinance speaks for itself. 19. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 19 of the first count. 20. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 20 of the first count. 21. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 21 of the first count. 22. With respect to the various allegations contained in paragraph 22 of the complaint the defendant, Township Committee, states that the zoning ordinance speaks for itself. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 23 of the first count. 24. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 24 of the first count. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 25 of the first count. 26. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 26 of the first count. Defendant denies each and every allegation 27. contained in paragraph 27 of the first count. - 4 -

# SECOND COUNT Defendant, Township Committee, admits its answers 1. to the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 27 of the first count of the complaint as if set forth in full herein. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 2 of the second count. 3« Defendant denies eacfa and every allegation contained in paragraph 3 of the second count. 4. With respect to the allegations contained in paragraph 4 of the second count of the complaint, defendant, Township Committee, states that its zoning ordinance speaks for itself. In his allegations contained in paragraph 5 of count two of the complaint, the plaintiff acurately states theinumbers but seems to fail to grasp the fact that the ordinance does not require the acquisition of legal fee title to the land in the agricultural zone, but merely the acquisition of development easements to that land, therefore the statement that the developer would have to acquire an additional 40 acres is mistaken. The developer would only have to acquire development easements on 40 acres of land in the A-100 Zone. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 6 of the second count. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 7 of the second count. 8. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 8 of the second count. - 5 -

#### THIRD COUNT

- 1. Defendant Township Committee repeats its answers to the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 27 of the first count and 1 through 8 of the second count as if set forth in full herein.
- 2. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the third count.
- 3. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the third count.
- 4. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 4 of the third count.
- 5. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 5 of the third count.
- 6. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 6 of the third count.
- 7. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 7 of the third count.

#### FOURTH COUNT

- Defendant Township Committee repeats its.
   answers to the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through
   of the first count, 1 through 8 of the second count and
   through 7 of the third count as it set forth in full herein.
- 2. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the fourth count.
- 3. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 3 of the fourth count.

Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 4 of the fourth count. 5. Defendant admits allegations contained in paragraph 5 of the fourth count. 6. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 6 of the fourth count. 7. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 7 of the fourth count. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 8 of the fourth count. 9. Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in paragraph 9 of the fourth count. FIRST SEPARATE DEFENSE Plaintiff has failed to exhaust its adminsitrative remedies. SECOND SEPARATE DEFENSE Plaintiff lacks standing to raise the constitutional arguments contained in its complaint. THIRD SEPARATE DEFENSE The State Development Guide Plan referred to in the complaint is not the proper state development guide plan map with reference to the Township of Cranbury. FOURTH SEPARATE DEFENSE The complaint was not filed within the time limits - 7 -

permitted tinder Rule of Court.

HUFF, MORAN & BALINT, Attorneys for Defendant, Township Committee of the Townshipfof Cranbury

WILLIAM. C. MORANTe JR.
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#### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the within answer was filed within the time permitted under Rule of Court.

WILLIAM C. MORAN, #R.

## PROOF OF SERVICE

On January 3, 1984, I mailed to all counsel of record in the above entitled action, a copy of the within Answer by regular mail to their respective addresses.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are wilfully false, I am subject to punishment.

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