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August 30, 1974

Mr. Arlen Specter
Dechert Price & Rhoads
1600 Three Penn Center
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Dear Mr. Specter:

Special Counsel Michael Willmann and Stephen Freind have informed me that after several discussions with you concerning my request of July 9, 1974, all parties to those discussions have decided that Special Counsel David Richman will provide such an opinion to this Committee.

Please be assured that we appreciate your interest in our Committee's work.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick A. Gleason".

Patrick A. Gleason,
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July 9, 1974

Mr. Arlen Specter
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Dear Mr. Specter:

As you may be aware, the House Select Committee on State Contract Practices, which I chair, has initiated an investigation into the possible connection between the State's contractual relationships with certain banking institutions and the practice of some of those institutions of making loans to political candidates and committees.

In this regard, it would be most helpful to the Committee to have a written memorandum of law on pertinent sections of the Election Code from an acknowledged expert on Commonwealth statutes and procedures such as yourself.

Knowing that you will be able to draw on the expertise of others within your firm regarding State banking laws makes me all the more certain that such a memorandum of law from you would greatly assist our Committee in its work.

Initially, the section of Purdon's regarding which I would most like to have the benefit of your thinking is (25 PS 3225.)

If you are agreeable to preparing such a memorandum of law and furnishing it to the Committee, I have been authorized by the Majority Leader to enter into a contract with your firm for your services in this regard.

I will ask Special Counsel to the Committee, Michael Willmann, to be in touch with you directly to respond to any questions you may have concerning this request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick A. Gleason".

Patrick A. Gleason, Chairman
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July 12, 1974

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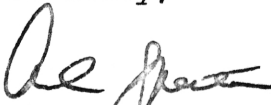
Dear Mr. Gleason:

Thank you for your letter of July 9, 1974.

I would be pleased to review the applicable law and give to the House Select Committee on State Contract Practices an opinion on the applicability of the Pennsylvania Election Code to certain specific loans.

I shall await word from your Special Counsel, Michael Willmann, Esq., concerning the contract for our services.

Sincerely,


Arlen Specter

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