

Mr. Arthur R. Watson, Director, Baltimore Zoo (continued)

It is our understanding that you are an employee of the City under the Classified City Service and, therefore, subject to the rules and regulations of the City Service Commission.

Rule 56 (1) of the City Service Commission provides that if an employee of the City is engaged in private business or in a trade or occupation and the duties of his position prescribed by law or regulation require his entire time for their performance, then such a situation is recognized by the Commission as sufficient cause for removal or discharge of an employee from the Classified City Service.

It is presumed that the hours you expect to devote to writing will not be during any time for which you receive compensation from the City, and that there will be no conflict between the interests of the City and yours.

Subject to the foregoing, we know of no legal obstruction to your writing the articles involved for publication.

However, it is felt that the matter under consideration is one of administrative policy and should be decided by the Board of Recreation and Parks.

If you deem it necessary to further discuss this matter, we shall be glad to do so at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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City Solicitor

/s/ WILLIAM H. MARSHALL
Assistant City Solicitor

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cc: Mr. R. Brooke Maxwell, Director
Department of Recreation and Parks