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Board of Ethics

Mr. Charles L. Gowen, Chairman
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Gentlemen:

Request is hereby made for an official opinion by the Board of Ethics as to whether or not the following set of circumstances would constitute a violation of any sections (and if so what sections) of the Code of Ethics as adopted on March 15, 1965 and approved by the Mayor on March 17, 1965:

- A. The City of Atlanta operates a Housing Division for the purpose of enforcing provisions of the Housing Code of the City of Atlanta; which Housing Code specifies the condition in which houses must be maintained in order for them to be fit for human habitation.
- B. Inspectors are employed by the City for the purpose of inspecting houses within the City limits to determine whether or not they are in conformity with the Housing Code.
- C. Deficiencies in housing accommodations are listed and furnished to the owners of the property with a request that repairs be made promptly so as to bring the housing involved into conformity with existing ordinances.

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- D. At the expiration of the time given for accomplishment of the repairs, a second inspection is made. If the property continues to be substandard, a further notice and demand is given to the property owner.
- E. An Inspector or a member of his family, with his knowledge, acquires an interest in a piece of property inspected by such Inspector or any other employee of the City of Atlanta.

Due to the urgency of the situation as related above and the necessity for a prompt ruling by the Board of Ethics, it is requested that the Board convene at the earliest practicable date.

Very truly yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

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