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Board of Zoning Adjudication
Government of the District of Columbia
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20001

re: BZA
Application No. 16640

Dear BZA Board:

I am requesting a postponement and continuance of the hearing scheduled for this day at 1:00 p.m.

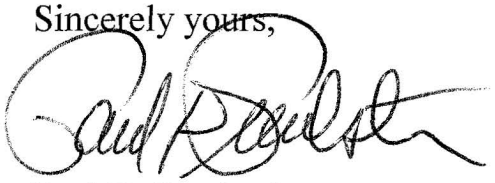
I have only recently contacted counsel who would like the opportunity to review my application and the supporting architectural plans. He believes it is desirable to review the request for a variance with the Zoning Administrator since he was of the opinion that a variance may not be necessary.

BZA
Case No. 16640
Exhibit No. 28

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.16640
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I request a continuation date after a period of at least 30 days from today to give counsel an opportunity to study the material and to contact the Office of the Zoning Administrator.

Sincerely yours,



Paul D. Pearlstein

PDP/ab
cc: Stephen N. Gell, Esquire