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Re: 1140 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. - BZA Application
Square 161, Lot 32

Honorable Members of the Board:

This letter authorizes the law firm of Shaw Pittman to represent the Charles E. Smith Commercial Realty L.P. and its wholly owned subsidies CESC 1140 Connecticut Avenue L.L.C. and CESC 1140 Connecticut Avenue L.P., in all proceedings before the Board of Zoning Adjustment concerning the above-mentioned property.

Sincerely,

Brent W. Bitz

By: Charles E. Smith Commercial Realty, L.P.
Commercial Realty L.L.C., General Partner
Brent Bitz
Executive Vice President

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