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Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 09-17/09-17A
Application of District of Columbia Public
Library

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Board:

On behalf of the District of Columbia Public Library, we hereby request that the following witnesses be qualified as experts in their field:

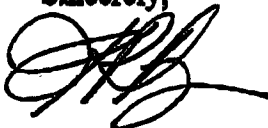
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Ellen McCarthy
Director of Planning and Land Use
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Expert in Planning and Zoning

Resumes of both witnesses are attached for your information.

Mr. Zaslow will testify regarding the design of the proposed library and the constraints of the site. Ms. McCarthy will testify as to the appropriateness of the Request for Map Amendment, the details of the proposed Text Amendment, and how the application for special exception meets the requirements of the existing and proposed Zoning Regulations.

Sincerely,



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CASE NO. 09-17
EXHIBIT NO. 31

**EDUCATION:**

Bachelor of Science, 1978

ACTIVE REGISTRATION:

Washington, DC

Hal R. Zaslow, RA, LEED AP

STUDIO DIRECTOR

EXPERIENCE:

Mr. Zaslow is a registered Architect with 30 years of experience in all phases of planning and designing projects including site investigations, programming, planning, design construction documentation, specifications, bid document development, and construction administration services. His experience includes design of multifamily and single-family housing, mixed-use developments, and commercial office. He has worked for several design, development, and construction firms throughout the DC Metro area, including Alpha One Corporation, Parker, Cade and Large, Inc., Struover Bros. Hedges and Rouse, Enterprise Homes Inc., RST Development /Triangle Construction Co., and Talles Construction Co. Mr. Zaslow's experience includes the following:

Francis Gregory & Washington Highlands Neighborhood Libraries, Washington, DC – Studio Director for the design of 2 new libraries for the DC Public Library. Approximately 30,000 SF, each library has a unique design and, in addition to traditional library functions, will provide community amenities such as technology centers, meeting spaces, arts spaces, and cafes. Responsibilities include coordinating with the respective project managers, managing the production staff, interfacing with the design architect and related consultants, and managing the project budget and schedule.

NCBA Estates, Washington, DC – Project manager for renovation and addition to the NCBA Estates, a senior housing development owned by the National Caucus and Center on Black Aged. The scope of work includes the addition of 175 units of senior housing to the existing facility. Additionally, street-level retail and office space to house the DC Office on Aging. Responsibilities include management of multiple teams, interfacing with the client, assisting with the development of the funding package, and preparing the preliminary design documents.

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Ellen McCarthy is the director of planning and land use for the firm. She has more than 30 years of experience in the planning field, with a focus on zoning, neighborhood planning and historic preservation.

*Ellen is not a member of the legal profession.

Previous Work

Prior to joining Arent Fox, Ellen was the director of planning and land use for a large US law firm. She advises clients in all aspects of zoning and development review before the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Adjustment including planned unit developments, rezonings, variances, and special exceptions. She also assists clients with land use entitlements such as street closings, alley closings, antennas, roof structure reviews, downtown development district compliance and transfers of development rights.

Previously, Ellen was the director of the District of Columbia Office of Planning, where she managed a 60-person team to provide a wide range of services for District of Columbia citizens. While there, her projects included getting city council adoption of a new Comprehensive Plan, the re-engineering of the development review function, and the crafting of a strategy to revitalize dilapidated affordable housing projects into lively, mixed-use, mixed-income neighborhoods while retaining existing low-income residents. She also directed the integration of the Historic Preservation Office into the Office of Planning from the permitting department, revamping its financial accountability system, and oversaw planning efforts for the Anacostia Transit Station Area, Northeast Gateway, Shaw/Convention Center Area, NoMA and Georgia Avenue, along with completion of new zoning for waterfront districts and numerous large development projects.

Professional Activities

Ellen has been involved in several civic and professional organizations. She currently serves on the Advisory Council of the Washington office of the Local Initiatives Support Corporation and on the Housing Council of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington, DC. In addition, she co-chairs the Task Force on Public Policy and Regulatory Reform for the Washington effort of the Urban Land Institute's Terwilliger Workforce Housing Initiative. Ellen served on the boards of directors of the Washington Area Community Investment Fund (low-income housing finance organization) and DC Preservation League as well as on Board of Trustees of the Committee of 100 on the Federal City, and she was active in the Citizens Planning Coalition. She was elected president of the National Capital Area Chapter, American Planning Association, and co-chair of the Coalition for a Living Downtown.

Publications/Presentations/Recognitions

Ellen has been recognized with an Outstanding Performance Award by the US Department of Transportation, a Chapter Service Award from the National Capital Area Chapter of the American Planning Association and a Fannie Mae Housing Fellowship.

For the Real Estate Review:

"Revitalizing Downtown DC", *Real Estate Review*, forthcoming issue, 2008

For the Urban Land Institute:

- "Center Cities," *Land Use in Transition*, co-authored with Richard H. Bradley and Gayle L. Berens,
- "The Management and Organization of Ridesharing Programs," *Transportation Research Board Special Report*, co-authored with Richard Bradley, 1985

For the Transit Cooperative Research Program:

- Subcontractor to Project for Public Spaces for *The Role of Transit in Creating Livable Metropolitan Communities*, National Academy Press, 1997

For the US Department of Transportation:

- Integration of Paratransit with Conventional Transit Systems, Information Bulletin, The Urban Consortium, Public Technology Inc.
- Institutional Framework for Integrated Transportation Planning, Information Bulletin, The Urban Consortium, Public Technology, Inc.
- Transportation Planning and Impact Forecasting Tools, Information Bulletin, The Urban Consortium, Public Technology, Inc.
- *Manual for Planning and Implementing Priority Treatments for High-Occupancy Vehicles*, co-authored with Gary Hebert, Urban Consortium, Public Technology, Inc.

For the American Public Transit Association:

- "An Analysis of the US Department of Transportation's National Transportation Policy," 1975

For the World Congress on Transport Research for Social and Economic Progress

- A New Role of Transportation System Managers: Public Entrepreneurs," Proceedings, World Congress on Transport Research for Social and Economic Progress, 1980

Education

Harvard University, Department of City and Regional Planning, MCP, 1974

University of Maryland, BA (Phi Beta Kappa, with high honors), 1972

Life Beyond the Law

Ellen is an active volunteer in community efforts, and enjoys biking with her husband, reading, gardening and knitting. She especially enjoys visiting her two children at college.

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