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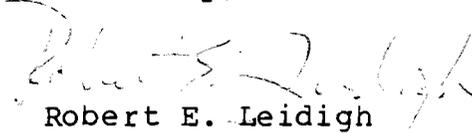
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Re: Your Request for Advice
Our No. A-84-044

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

We are in receipt of your letter requesting confirmation of our previous advice to Dr. Robert Calfee, No. A-83-227, dated October 11, 1983. I enclose a copy of that letter and confirm that this is our advice to Dr. Calfee.

Sincerely,


Robert E. Leidigh
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Enclosure
cc: Robert Calfee

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Re: Request From Palo Alto Board of Education
For Confirmation of Conflict of Interest Opinion

Dear Mr. Leidigh:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Board of Education of the Palo Alto Unified School District. On October 11, 1983, you wrote to Dr. Robert Calfee in answer to his request for advice. In that letter you informed Dr. Calfee that even though his wife is a kindergarten teacher in the Palo Alto Unified School District there was no basis for a disqualifying conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act which would disqualify him, should he be elected, from serving on the Board of Education of the Palo Alto Unified School District and participating and voting on teacher contract negotiations.

Dr. Calfee was elected to the Board of Education in the November election. His participation and voting in contract negotiations with the Palo Alto Education Association is being questioned as a conflict of interest.

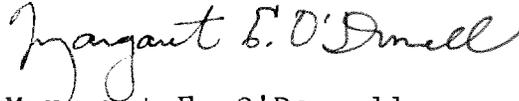
Therefore, the Board of Education would appreciate it if you would confirm for its members your opinion regarding Dr. Calfee's ability to participate and vote on teacher contract negotiation matters.

Robert E. Leidigh
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The members of the Board of Education and I appreciate your assistance in this matter. Please contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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