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January 15, 1992

Federal Election Commission
Office of General Counsel
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Federal Election Commission.

The purpose of this letter is to request an advisory opinion concerning application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1974 to my participation as a moderator and participant in a series of public affairs forums televised in my district

Currently, there are two local cable programs in which I appear or moderate once a month. The first show - "A Capital Report from Congressman James Moran" - is produced by Jones Intercable, 306 North Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304. The second cable show - "A Conversation with Jim Moran" - is produced by a retired federal employee from our district for Fairfax County Access Channel 10, 2029 Eskridge Road, Fairfax, VA 22031. Each station directs, produces, records, and has complete financial control over the program. Each station has all television rights. Both productions relate exclusively to issues before Congress and scrupulously avoid any political connection.

Neither myself nor my campaign committee will receive any financial benefit from the program or from the stations affiliated with the program.

As this is a congressional election year, I would like to ensure that my participation in these programs does not in any way constitute a violation of federal election laws. That is why I am requesting clarification of this issue.

Please contact my office regarding any questions that the Commission may have. Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,


James P Moran

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Mr. Brad Leitchfield
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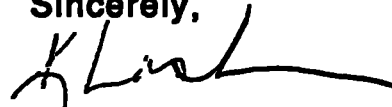
Dear Mr. Leitchfield:

Please find enclosed the information that you requested regarding the advisory opinion submitted by my office on January 15, 1992

I have enclosed both a "fact sheet" on the proposed program on Fairfax Access Channel 10 and a recent tape televised on Jones Intercable of the show "A Capital Report from Congressman James P Moran"

If there are any further questions, please feel free to contact my office directly

Sincerely,


Kathleen Lash

Enclosures

*The Office of General Counsel will make the video tape available upon request.

FACT SHEET
"A Conversation with Jim Moran"
FAIRFAX ACCESS CABLE CHANNEL 10

BACKGROUND.

- The cable show will be produced each month by Mr. Walter Daniels a retired federal employee. Mr. Daniels has full editorial control over each show. Following the completion of each show, the program becomes the property solely of Mr. Daniels. He has suggested that the office can obtain a copy of the show by supplying a blank tape for recording.

- The show is scheduled to run just under 30 minutes with time included for title, introductions and credits. The program will never run over this time limit.

- As you know the show has not aired, the program is scheduled to begin in February and run through the election in November.

- The tentative schedule of programs is as follows:

February	Health Care
March	The Economy
April	Foreign Affairs
May	Transportation
June	Education

- Special guests will be invited onto various programs to assist Congressman Moran in handling more difficult subjects or to oppose his position on various issues.

- Again the sole purpose of this program is to discuss issues before Congress and make that discussion available to the public through this cable television program.