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BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Re: MUR 4594
Subpoena to Robert C. Hastings, Jr.

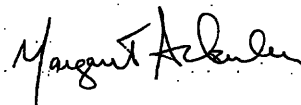
Dear Ms. Bell:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 8, 1997, to which I take exception because it does not accurately reflect what I said to you. I state below my responses to the questions I believe you are asking with regard to the subpoena response submitted by Robert C. Hastings, Jr.

As far as we are aware, Mr. Hastings has produced all documents responsive to the subpoena addressed to him. As Mr. Hastings stated in his response to the subpoena, he did not rely on any documents in evaluating the fair market value of space leased by Mr. Fasi at the Cultural Plaza. Mr. Hastings is under no obligation to respond to oral requests that vary from or broaden the subpoena.

For your information, we confirm that Mr. Hastings has said that he based his conclusions regarding the fair market value of the space leased by Mr. Fasi at the Cultural Plaza entirely on his professional expertise and knowledge and not on reference to outside documents or other written materials. Mr. Hastings' affidavit was, of course, the result of prior privileged oral and written communications between him and us, but none of these is in the nature of a report. Mr. Hastings is not withholding documents on any privilege grounds.

Sincerely,



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