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Dear Francis:

In reply to your recent inquiry on the proper conduct of the August 17, 1965, election for the City of St. Louis, Missouri, the problems presented by your letter have been carefully considered by this Office. The issues, of course, arise from the redistricting of the City of St. Louis by the Board of Aldermen.

This Office has recently received the legal opinion expressed by the Office of the City Counselor of St. Louis dated July 12, 1965, on the same subject.

Inasmuch as this Office has reached substantially the same opinions and the same result, it is not necessary for us to write an extended brief on this matter in reply to your request.

Our legal conclusions expressed herein are based solely on the facts as you have presented them to us in your letter, and the conclusions are limited to the matters expressed in the opinion and not to be applied to other situations that could arise in the future.

In view of the fact that you state that it is impossible for you to establish new precincts and appoint judges and clerks for such precincts before the special election, August 17, 1965, called to vote on constitutional amendments, it is our view that the Board of Election Commissioners may conduct the election using the present precincts in St. Louis City and the election judges and clerks previously appointed by the Board for such precincts may serve at such special election, August 17, 1965.

Very truly yours,

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