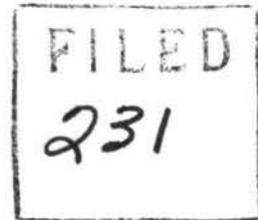


November 3, 1975

OPINION LETTER NO. 231
Answer by Letter - Klaffenbach

Honorable Phil Snowden
State Representative, 20th District
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Dear Representative Snowden:

This letter is in answer to your questions asking:

- "A. Can a Missouri State Representative or State Senator be a shareholder in a limited dividend corporation, a limited partner in a limited partnership or a sponsor for an application for funds from the Missouri Housing Development Commission (Chapter 215, R.S.Mo., 1969) to rehabilitate or construct new housing units in the state?
- "B. Can a Missouri State Representative or a Missouri State Senator act as the attorney of record and receive a fee from a sponsoring group making application for funds from the Missouri Housing Development Commission (Chapter 215, R.S.Mo., 1969) to rehabilitate or construct new housing units in the state?"

We believe that the questions you present are similar to those answered in our Opinions No. 334 in 1974 and No. 332 in 1973, copies enclosed. We find no statute which directly prohibits such participation or representation, and, employing

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the reasoning of the prior opinions, we are of the view that the legislator is not prohibited from acting in either of the situations presented.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures: Op. No. 332
11-16-73, Miller

Op. No. 334
11-18-74, Goward