

Advisory Opinion No. 91-20

A public servant has asked the Conflicts of Interest Board for an opinion as to whether, consistent with the conflicts of interest provisions of Chapter 68 of the City Charter, he may accept the grand prize of a contest sponsored by another City agency with which he has official dealings, which is valued at more than \$500.

This contest was open to all residents of the United States, except for employees of the sponsoring agency, its advertising and promotion agency and their families. Entry forms for the contest were widely distributed at public areas throughout the City and the public servant received his form at a public location.

On his entry form he listed his home address and telephone number and did not refer to his City title. He was chosen as the grand prize winner of the contest through a random selection process conducted by the City agency sponsor.

It is the opinion of the Board that it would not be a violation of Chapter 68 for the public servant to accept this prize under the circumstances here

described.

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