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To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing to you today to request a reconsideration of a ruling made earlier this year regarding my lack of submitting financial reports stemming from the 2010 Municipal Election, which I had dropped out of before ballots were cast.

When I decided I wasn't healthy enough to campaign, I headed over to City Hall to pull myself out of the race. After explaining that I wanted out and filling out the paper work, I asked the staff if there was anything else that needed to be done to complete the process—I was told no, that was all I needed to do. Because of being told there was nothing left to do, along with the fact that I did no fundraising or active campaigning, I was under the mistaken impression that I was not required to fill out the financial statements. When it was brought to my attention that these forms *were* required, even if they simply stated I had not raised or spent any money, the deadline was too close for me to arrange transportation to deliver the documentation in time. As a result, when I arrived the following Monday, the paperwork I had prepared was rejected. Upon receiving notice that I was in violation of the Elections Act, I was disappointed but accepted the judgment, as I understood it to mean I simply was not able to hold any office that falls under the Elections Act until after the next Municipal Election. As I did not intend on running in the next Municipal Election, I decided to simply accept this decision and move forward.

It has now been brought to my attention that, although not an elected position, my seat on the Committee of Adjustments *does* fall under this ruling and unless this decision is reversed I will have to leave the committee. It is for this reason that I beseech you to reconsider this ruling on the grounds that I made an honest mistake interpreting the instructions given to me by staff and once this error had been brought to my attention I simply did not have enough time to arrange the necessary transportation to deliver said documentation by the deadline. I understand why these rules are in place and the importance of following these rules to ensure a strong and fair democracy, but I would very much like to remain on the Committee of Adjustments, serving the London community, and anything you can do to help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your time,

Jeff Preston