



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

92-13

September 14, 1992

The Honorable James J. Lawlor  
P.O. Box 1905  
Waterbury, CT 06721

Dear Judge Lawlor:

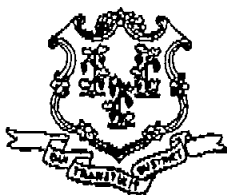
The Commission received your request to formally review a matter regarding State Representative Lynn Taborsak. Specifically, you were concerned about the receipt of mileage reimbursement for official business at the same time she was receiving unemployment compensation.

At its meeting today, the Ethics Commission unanimously agreed that the allegations do not state a cause of action under the Code of Ethics for Public Officials, Chapter 10, Part I, Connecticut General Statutes. However, the Commission asked that I inform you that, under the Code, any complaint or investigation by this Commission must remain confidential until either the Respondent waives his or her right to such confidentiality or the Commission finds probable cause after a complaint is filed. In the matter at hand, you apparently abused Ms. Taborsak's rights when you informed the press that you had asked this Commission to investigate a possible violation of the Code. For your information, Representative Taborsak did waive her right to confidentiality on September 10, 1992, the day after the press became aware of the allegations.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel S. Rubin".

Rachel S. Rubin  
Supervising Attorney



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September 10, 1992

Rachel Rubin  
State Ethics Commission  
30 Elm Street (rear)  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Attorney Rubin:

I am writing to waive my confidentiality to allow the Commission to investigate allegations by Waterbury Probate Judge Jim Lawlor concerning mileage reimbursement I have received as a member of the General Assembly.

I would appreciate your prompt consideration of this matter since it questions the propriety of mileage reimbursement for all members of the General Assembly.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lynn Taborsak".

Lynn Taborsak  
State Representative

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**LAWLOR  
CONGRESS**

92-13

September 9, 1992

State Ethics Committee  
97 Elm Street  
Hartford, CT 06106

VIA FAX

Gentlemen:

I am writing on a matter of grave concern to me, and the people of the State of Connecticut.

It has come to my attention that State Representative Lynn Taborsak of Danbury filed for and received mileage reimbursement for "official business" at the same time she was receiving unemployment compensation from the state.

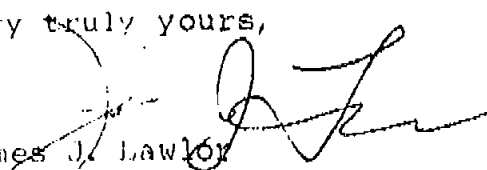
This took place on at least two occasions that we know of - in October and November of 1989 - and probably more.

I am requesting a formal review of Mrs. Taborsak's behavior in this matter.

This sort of abuse of the public trust has raised great concern among the people of this area.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
James J. Lawlor

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