Supreme Court of the Anited States Washington, D. G. 20543

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE

February 13, 1978

Dear Bill:

Re: 75-1914 Monell v. Dept. of Social Services of the City of New York

My absence from Washington attending a series of Judicial Conference committee meetings has prevented me from acting on your memorandum in this case.

I have now read it, and I am in general agreement with the position you express and would be prepared to join an opinion along those lines.

Regards,

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Mr. Justice Rehnquist

cc: The Conference