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Attorney Stan Beck, who represents taxpayer clients before the County's Value Adjustment Board asked about the propriety of communicating with VAB members during the time it was considering applicants for an advertised position for VAB Counsel. Mr. Beck had been advised by county personnel that the matter was under the Cone of Silence. Although the VAB is not technically a County agency subject to the County Ethics Ordinance, it has apparently agreed to work under the County Cone for this solicitation. Mr. Beck was advised by me that he could communicate in writing with the VAB board, even while under the Cone of Silence (Section 2-11.1(t), where he was not involved as a bidder or proposer on the contract and where the communication would be made a public record.

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