

IN THE MATTER OF  
RALPH SEEKFORD, JR.  
6 CEDAR VALLEY PLACE – UNIT 103  
ESSEX, MARYLAND 21221

RE: APPEAL OF ANIMAL HEARING  
BOARD DECISION

\* BEFORE THE  
\* BOARD OF APPEALS  
\* FOR  
\* BALTIMORE COUNTY  
\* CASE NO. CBA-14-025

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**RULING ON BALTIMORE COUNTY’S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION**

This matter comes before the Board on a Motion for Reconsideration requested by Jonny Akchin, Assistant County Attorney, on behalf of Baltimore County, Maryland in regard to this Board Order dated May 31, 2014 wherein the Board held that while the Appellant’s behavior has created a “nuisance” in his neighborhood, Appellant does not “own” the wild or feral cats he feeds and therefore the Board cannot uphold the Animal Services Citations.

In the Motion for Reconsideration, the County points to a definition in the statute that the County believes the Board did not correctly interpret or consider. The County moves that by providing this definition the Board should apply it broadly and reconsider its decision.

This Board has historically held that a Motion for Reconsideration should only be necessary when there has been substantive new case law or enactment of a statute not available previously, which would clearly merit a modification of a Board’s previous decision. The Board concludes that it will not re-visit its decision upon a Motion for Reconsideration based upon an assertion that the ruling was incorrect.


The Board concludes that the Motion for Reconsideration does not point to any fraud, mistake or irregularity in the conduct of the hearing in this case, nor does the Board find there is any indication of the existence of new law or evidence not available to the County at the time of the hearing.

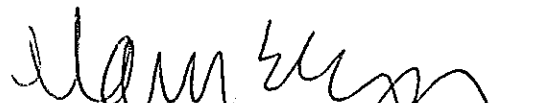
The appellate procedure in cases of this type is clear and established. Therefore, any redress to which County is entitled lies elsewhere. The Board's Opinion and Order issued on May 1, 2014 remains this Board's final decision in this matter and the Board unanimously determines that the Motion for Reconsideration is hereby denied.

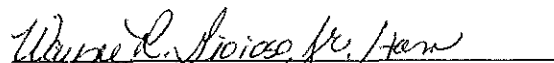
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2014 that the Motion for Reconsideration filed in this matter is **DENIED**.

Any petition for judicial review from this decision must be made in accordance with Rule 7-201 through Rule 7-210 of the *Maryland Rules*.

BOARD OF APPEALS  
OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

  
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