

# CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

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## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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March 28, 2003

Bradford Bowman  
Thompson, Bull, Furey, Bass & MacColl, LLC., P.A.  
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P.O. Box 447  
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RE: 86 Commercial Street (also known as 47 Custom House Wharf)  
CBL: 030 A001  
ZONE: Waterfront Central Zone (WCZ)

Dear Attorney Bowman,

As you know, at its March 20, 2003 meeting, **the Board of Appeals** heard your Interpretation Appeal to overturn the Zoning Administrator's interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance, which denied permission to use the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor as professional space for a law firm. The Board found as fact: the building did not exist on January 4, 1993; and that there is still a portion of the foundation in existence that was there prior to January 4, 1993. The Board voted 4-2 to sustain the Zoning Administrator's determination, thus denying the appeal.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Board's decision.

Sincerely,

Karen Dunfey  
Inspection Services