File No. 13866

Baltimore, October-11, 1919.

P. W. Wilkinson, Esq.,

Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners.

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Dear Sir:

Subject: Driver of Fire Apparatus.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant, enclosing letter received from Mr. E. Austin Baughman under date of September 30th, in which Mr. Baughman states that he desires a member of
your Commission to call upon him to take up the matter of firemen
driving, without a license to do so.

I have carefully read Mr. Baughman's letter and in my opinion the Commissioner has no further control over the operation of the apparatus of the Fire Department than to require that said apparatus be marked or tagged for identification.

I assume that the Fire Department will investigate the particular case referred to and act according to their judgment in the matter, and that in all cases care will be taken to see that men assigned to drive department vehicles will be above the average in the skill of driving.

I am returning Mr. Baughman's letter herewith.

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Very truly yours,
(Signed) Roland R. Marchant,
City Solicitor.

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