

FILE NO. 74708

August 11, 1942

To the Honorable, the President and
Members of the Board of Estimates of
Baltimore City

Gentlemen:

I have before me a request from the Baltimore News-Post for refund of one-half of the minor privilege charges for the year 1942, paid for eight hundred newspaper vending machines charged at the rate of \$1.50 a year, said newspaper vending machines having been removed prior to June 12, 1942. This minor privilege was granted on June 30, 1925, by the Board of Estimates under the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimates by Section 47 of the Charter of Baltimore City.

Since July 31, 1917, it has been the practice of this Board in instances which warrant it, to make refunds of a pro-rata part of the Minor Privilege charges computed on a quarterly basis.

I am attaching hereto, a memorandum signed by Daniel B. Chambers, Jr., Assistant City Solicitor, which supports the suggestions which I have made. I, therefore, recommend that a refund of one-half of the minor privilege charges for the year 1942, be made to the Baltimore News-Post, because of the removal of the vending machines prior to June 12, 1942.

Very truly yours,

(signed) F. MURRAY HENSON

City Solicitor

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