

STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. I-10-99

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Question a: “Does section 117.3 of the [1994] Connecticut Building Code allow a building official to request an attorney for the Connecticut Department of Criminal Justice to initiate [sic] a proceeding at law or in equity to restrain, correct, or abate a violation?”

Answer a: Section 117.3 of the 1994 State Building Code requires the Building Official to request the legal counsel of the jurisdiction in which the work is performed to institute the appropriate proceeding at law or in equity to restrain, correct, or abate a violation. Legal counsel of the jurisdiction is not defined in the State Building Code. It is therefore my interpretation that this provision does not preclude the local building official from seeking assistance from an attorney employed by the Division of Criminal Justice.