

State of Connecticut

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Honorable Kevin T. Kane
Chief State's Attorney
Office of the Chief State's Attorney
300 Corporate Place
Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Dear Chief State's Attorney Kane:

I write with respect to the recent criminal conviction of former Hartford Mayor Eddie A. Perez on charges relating to the misuse of his municipal office for personal gain.

As you know, Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-110a ("the Pension Revocation Statute") requires me to seek a court order reducing or revoking the pension of any official convicted of a crime related to state or municipal office, as defined in the Pension Revocation Statute. Section 1-110a(f) requires me to notify you of the existence of the Pension Revocation Statute and the possibility that any fine, restitution or other monetary order by the criminal court may be paid from the pension of the convicted official.

My understanding is that Mr. Perez, who is 53 years of age, is entitled to collect his full pension benefit at age 60, but may begin collecting a reduced pension at age 55. Our research indicates that Mr. Perez's pension, administered by the city of Hartford, is subject to revocation or reduction under the Pension Revocation Statute.

Mr. Perez's conviction reflects significant violations of public trust and misuse of office. Accordingly, I intend, at the earliest appropriate time and in consultation with your office, to seek an order fully revoking his pension.

Please contact me to discuss this matter so that we may coordinate our efforts to best serve the interests of the State of Connecticut and the city of Hartford.

Very truly yours,



RICHARD BLUMENTHAL

cc: John Rose, Esq.
Hubert Santos, Esq.