

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

JOHN R. KEENAN)	
)	
COMPLAINANT)	
)	
v.)	CASE NO. 97-366
)	
KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY)	
)	
DEFENDANT)	

ORDER TO SATISFY OR ANSWER

Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") is hereby notified that it has been named as defendant in a formal complaint filed on August 12, 1997, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 12, KU is HEREBY ORDERED to satisfy the matters complained of or file a written answer to the complaint within 10 days from the date of service of this Order.

Should documents of any kind be filed with the Commission in the course of this proceeding, the documents shall also be served on all parties of record.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of August, 1997.

ATTEST:

Don Mills
Executive Director

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Commissioner

Ky Public Utilities Comm
Mr. Don Mills
Frankfort Ky

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Dear Mr Mills,

CN97-366

In regard to our conversation of Aug. 8, I submit this letter as a formal complaint against the placement of utility poles and overhead wires thru the front yard of the Clisha Worfield House at 3400 Harrodshy Rd in Lexington.

The home was built in the 1850's by Dr. Clisha Worfield, a landgrant descendant, physician and breeder of the horse Lexington. I have spent the last fifteen years renovating and restoring this historic property to its original splendor. We have been awarded architectural restoration awards from the Historic Commission as well as Kentucky Landmark designation from the Ky. Heritage Commission. The Home & Property are eligible as a National Trust Candidate and has been nominated as such.

I feel that the integrity and
aesthetics of the grounds surrounding
this historic property would be
severely compromised by the
intrusion of overhead wires and
poles thru the grove of one
hundred year old trees.

I thank you and
appreciate any assistance in
this matter.

Sincerely

John F. Keenan



JOHN G. IRVIN
The Oaks, #244
395 Redding Road
Lexington, Kentucky 40517

August 6, 1997

Mr. Mike Whitley
Chairman of the Board
Kentucky Utilities Company
One Quality Street
Lexington, Kentucky 40507

Dear Mike,

Never wrote a letter like this before but when you get to be 73 you will find it is a lot of fun trying to help nice friends like Becky and John Kennan.

John tells me you folks have them worried sick over the possibility of KU putting some power lines through their yard. You wouldn't like that in your yard, I'd get sore if it happened in my yard and they are pretty up in the air about the thought of having it happen in their yard.

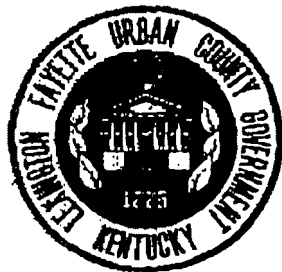
They live out on Harrodsburg Road between the Belt Line and Palomar. They've renovated the old Elisha Warfield house, which has been designated a Kentucky Landmark by the Heritage Commission. These two young folks have spent a good bit of the past 20 years getting this gem restored and it really is a jewel of a place.

John asked me if I knew you and I said "I'm proud to know Mike." And I'm also proud to speak up for the Kennans. If you ever want me to speak up for you, just yell. For we all want to help preserve our great town and its beauty and to live in peace and enjoy it.

Thanks for looking into another way to move this electricity.

Cordially,





Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council

July 31, 1997

Mr. Mike Whitley
President
Kentucky Utilities Company
One Quality Street
Lexington, KY 40507

Dear Mr. Whitley:

It has recently been brought to my attention that Kentucky Utilities is planning to install electrical lines through the property owned by John Kennan of 3400 Harrodsburg Road. Mr. Kennan has devoted eighteen years of effort and undertaken considerable expense to restore the historic home located on this site. As the Council representative for the 10th District, I strongly encourage you to consider alternative solutions for this project.

The preservation of Kentucky's heritage is vital as we move toward the twenty first century. Many of the large trees surrounding this property have taken decades to reach maturity, and the house itself is a vital reminder of our rich and historic past. On behalf of Lexington and the 10th District, I urge you to explore alternatives for the installation of electrical lines along this section of Harrodsburg Road.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Sandy Shafer
Councilmember, District 10

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cc: Bob Lykins, Division Vice President, Kentucky Utilities Company
One Quality Street, 40507
John Kennan, 3400 Harrodsburg Road, 40503

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Lexington Fayette Urban County Government

DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

John Kennan
3400 Harrodsburg Road
Lexington, Ky 40503

Mr. Kennan,

Recently we discussed the historic qualities of your property, the Elisha Warfield House. We had no problem identifying the significance of the building. It has been recognized by the Kentucky Heritage Commission as a Kentucky Landmark, and this office's own architectural survey makes clear the historic significance to the point of recommending its National Register Nomination. What we did not discuss was the site as a whole. When buildings are so representative of distinctive architectural styles, it is easy to overlook the importance of the site, and this is exactly what happened during our meeting.

The smokehouse, the carriage house and the grounds themselves are contributing elements to the historic integrity of your home. Each adds tremendously by creating a nearly complete historic image of the property. While it may seem apparent how additional architecture can act in a complimentary fashion, historic green spaces are equally important. Traditionally open spaces provide an understanding of the entire historic context of the property. Your property is a wonderful piece of history, and its continued preservation is an asset to our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris Annis".

Chris Annis
Division of Historic Preservation
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August 6, 1997

Mr. Mike Whitley
President, Chairman & CEO
Kentucky Utilities Company
101 East Vine Street
Lexington, KY 40507

Dear Mike:

As you are aware that I am an ardent preservationist, you will understand this letter. A friend, John Kennan and his wife Becky, own a historic property at 3400 Harrodsburg Road in Lexington on which they have spent countless hours, as well as dollars I am sure, in this restoration. Since the home was built in the 1850's by Dr. Elisha Warfield, a prominent citizen of Lexington and the breeder of the famous horse Lexington, it has been designated by the Heritage Commission as a Kentucky landmark.

It is my understanding that presently, utility wires and poles are to be installed on the property that will detract from the setting and beauty of the house and grounds.

Understanding the necessity for development and also maintaining some history and aesthetic quality to our landscape can present a conflict, I do hope that an alternative to overhead wires and utility poles can be considered.

Thank you for your consideration of this. With best wishes.

Cordially,



Lois Gray