

# EXHIBIT 11

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**SUMMARY:** Dear DoJ,  
 My name is (b)(6) and I am writing a story about a possible antitrust violation for a community newspaper, The Prince George's Sentinel.

I am investigating the legality of an agreement made between bar owners--resulting from pressure from local politicians--to institute a price floor for alcoholic drinks.

Basically, there are three bars in College Park for college students. Some of them had drink specials as low as 25 cents, and some local politicians claimed they received complaints about the low prices. Earlier this summer, the College Park govt. had a meeting to discuss the issue. At the meeting, the bar owners "voluntarily" agreed to a price floor on alcohol. One of the bar owners said the politicians mentioned they could pursue promoting legislation establishing a floor if the owners didn't come up with an agreement on their own. Now beer must be at least \$1 and mixed drinks, \$2.

Is this legal? Did I give you enough information about the issue?

The city's director of public services told me he didn't know if it is legal. One of the bar owners said "everyone knows the agreement holds no water."

The rest of the details are kind of murky. One bar owner told me it was a handshake agreement, another said it was signed. I'm not sure if that matters in the legal context.

Does this sound like an anti-trust violation? What is the procedure for investigating this further? Have any complaints been filed concerning this issue?

Thanks,  
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