



DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

EXECUTIVE OFFICES
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Mz. Susan D. Saunders
Legal Counsel
Human Environmental League
One Lincoln Plaza
New York, N.Y. 10013

Re: Home Occupation per Section
12-10 Zoning Resolution

Dear Mz. Saunders:

This is in response to your letter to this department, dated February 12, 1985, inquiring if a "Knowledge Worker" may be considered a home occupation under Section 12-10 of the New York City Zoning Resolution.

The definition of home occupation is that it is an accessory use which is clearly incidental to or secondary to the residential use of the dwelling unit; that (only) in connection with the practice of a profession one person may be employed; and that it occupies not more than 25 percent of the total floor area.

The latter is required in addition to the no objectionable effects which you have cited in order for the premises to be considered a home occupation under the Zoning Resolution.

The professional offices that this department recognizes for "Home Occupation" are those listed by the New York State Department of Education, vis:

Architecture, Certified Public Accounting, Dental Hygiene,
Dentistry, Licensed Practical Nursing, Medicine, Optometry,

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Osteopathy, Physiotherapy, Podiatry, Psychology, Professional Engineering & Land Surveying, Public Accountancy, Registered Professional Nursing, Chiropractor and Attorney.

"Knowledge Worker" is not on this list.

It is for this reason and the limited information provided, that it is not within the scope of this office to give you the interpretation you seek.

Very truly yours,

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cc: I.E. Minkin, Dep. Comm.
Executive Staff
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