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Dear Ms. [Redacted],

This is to acknowledge your recent letter to the Arts Endowment's Grants Office, in which you object to certain restrictions on the use of Fiscal Year 1990 appropriated funds as outlined in the Endowment's General Terms and Conditions.

I understand your confusion and concern with respect to certain of these restrictions. However, the Endowment does not make these laws, and it must insure compliance by its grantees of all federal laws. In addition, I hope that you can appreciate that the Endowment is required to inform you of all Federal statutes, rules and regulations affecting the award of grant funds for which you have applied. I must advise you, further, that none of the stated terms or conditions is optional; that is, you may not advise us as to which ones you agree to accept and which ones you do not. The laws exist by Congressional mandate and upon receipt and acceptance of any Federal funds, you are bound by all of the terms and conditions as stated in your grant award letter.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 682-5418.

Very truly yours,

Julianne Ross Davis
General Counsel