

**Subject:** Comments re: Dog Problems at 9400

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Sorry about not being available, I have been ill. I am still willing to participate on the committee and will help with the issues at hand. I was never given a copy of the By - Laws when we purchased our unit. At the time of purchase I did not own my boxers. The first summer my husband and I stayed at the 9400 building we met many dog owners with large dogs, it was never a factor in my mind that large breed dogs weren't allowed in this building the first time we brought our boxer on vacation with us. Everyone we met was very friendly to us and our dog, I met many new friends that summer. A particular owner of a large dog who lived in the unit for many years stands out in my mind, I don't remember his name but I am sure you will remember that as his dog aged he would take him out in a little red wagon to do his business. I never saw anyone stop him or say anything about the size of his dog. He told me that he had the dog at the 9400 building since the dog was a puppy, the dog was about 12 or 13 years old when we met for the first time. As I sit in my living room reading the e-mails from Mr. Roth to board members and other dog owners, it seems to me that this particular matter is becoming, for lack of better words a " DOG FIGHT ". A fight between large and small dog owners. If this is the case I will also have to consult my attorney. This is actually a discriminatory action. My boxers are my family and most of my enjoyment of owning my unit is the time I spend with them. Playing on the beach, taking them to Rehoboth to walk around the shops, and meeting other dog owners. I don't remember half of the owners names but I remember their dogs and most remember me as the lady with the 2 boxers. Although I don't have a copy of the By - Laws, I do know that there is a noise control ordinance in Ocean City Md. Many nights as my husband and I sit on our balcony which faces the north side of the building our peaceful solitude is often disturbed by the constant yipping and barking of the small dogs a few units below. I am not saying my dogs never bark, but this yipping and barking has gone on for hours. If I have to enforce the noise issue I will be concerning these small dogs. This entire problem seems to be getting out of hand instead of solving or reaching a solution to this very delicate problem, it seems to me that the issue at hand is doing nothing but causing distention amongst the owners. We need a resolution by the BOD as soon as possible.