Walter said that he has "a range of questions about fees" received by Smith and anticipated receiving answers soon to questions he had posed last week to Smith's aides.

Rudolph W. Giuliani, associate attorney general, signed Smith's financial disclosure report May 11 and certified that it contained no information contrary to the conflict of interest laws. Walter is also required to review the form. "I have to sign a piece of paper eventually that says it is okay," he said.

If he disapproves of the \$50,000 payment, Walter said that under a previous agreement with the Justice Department his office has the authority to write advisory opinions on what should happen to Smith and the \$50,000.