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#### PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 19, 1989

#### TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

All of the Commissioners and senior staff were present.

Chairman Bedford called the meeting to order and announced that pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act," N.J.S.A. 10:4-8 et seq., special notice of the meeting of the Commission had been filed with the Secretary of State's Office and distributed to the entire State House Press Corps.

The meeting convened at 9:35 a.m. at the Commission Offices, 28 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

1. Newly Appointed Commissioner

The members of the Commission welcomed newly appointed Commissioner, S. Elliott Mayo.

2. Advisory Opinion No. 19-1989

The Commission considered the draft of Advisory Opinion No. 19 as submitted by Legal Director Nagy.

For details see Advisory Opinion No. 19, dated September 19, 1989 from Gregory E. Nagy to Stephen J. Edelstein, Esq. Also see Public Session Minutes of September 12, 1989 relative to the discussion and vote on Advisory Opinion No. 19.

On a motion by Vice Chairman McNany, seconded by Commissioner Linett and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission approved the advisory opinion as drafted.

3. Advisory Opinion No. 20-1989

Executive Director Herrmann reported that Advisory Opinion No. 20 has been withdrawn.

4. Advisory Opinion No. 21-1989

This advisory opinion request was submitted by Mr. Peter Verniero on behalf of the New Jersey Republican State Committee (RSC).

In his advisory opinion request, Mr. Verniero stated that the RSC intended to conduct electronic media advertising. He said that the subject would be exclusively generic. Mr. Verniero indicated that the RSC did not believe that any portion of the cost of said advertising would be allocable against the campaign of Republican gubernatorial Candidate Jim Courter.

Mr. Verniero stated that the script satisfies the standard of generic, institutionalized advertising the Commission in Advisory Opinion No. 33-1981.

For further elaboration see the advisory opinion request, dated September 18, 1989, from Mr. Peter Verniero to Executive Director Frederick M. Herrmann. Also see the script that was a part of the advisory opinion request.

On a motion by Commissioner Linett, seconded by Vice Chairman McNany and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission approved the RSC advertising script as generic and not allocable against the gubernatorial campaign of Jim Courter.

The Commission directed Legal Director Nagy to draft the opinion response.

5. Commission Meeting Date

The Commission determined that the September 26, 1989 meeting will be held at the Nutley Town Hall, Nutley, New Jersey, at 11:00 a.m.

6. Adjournment

On a motion by Vice Chairman McNany, seconded by Commissioner Linett and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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