

NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW  
ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION  
Temporary Office  
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A.O. 13-1973

September 10, 1973

Leon J. Sokol, Campaign Manager  
Citizens for Feldman  
770 Palisade Avenue  
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Re: The New Jersey Campaign Control and  
Expenditures Reporting Act, P.L. 1973,  
c. 83 ("the Act")  
Your Letter Dated June 23, 1973

Dear Mr. Sokol:

Your letter of June 23, 1973, to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply. By previous correspondence, the Commission requested an extension of time within which to reply to August 20, 1973.

1. In your letter, you raise a question as to reporting of contributions which were received prior to July 23, 1973 in excess of \$1,000, intended to be used for purposes of the general election.

The Commission is of the opinion that a report was required to be filed on July 24, 1973 respecting those contributions for the reason that Section 16 of the Act does not distinguish between primary and general elections.

The Commission has the power under Section 6 of the Act to extend for good cause shown the dates upon which reports are required to be filed. The Commission finds that the newness of the Act and the inability of the Commission to promulgate rules and regulations in time to permit timely

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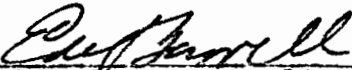
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filing to constitute such good cause and has  
extended the date for filing of a report in  
conformity herewith to Friday, September 28, 1973.

Yours very truly,

New Jersey Election Law  
Enforcement Commission

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Dear Mr. Reiche:

Enclosed is an affidavit signed by Mr. Matthew Feldman, candidate for State Senate from the 37th District located in Bergen County. The affidavit attests to the fact that the total amount expended on Mr. Feldman's behalf for purposes of the June 5 primary election did not exceed \$1,000.00.

It is my understanding that the July 24 filing deadline pertains specifically to income and expenditures relating to the June 5 primary election. Since Mr. Feldman did not have any opposition in the primary election, he did not conduct a primary campaign. We did have a campaign committee, however, which was organized for the purpose of the general election. It received and expended monies for the purpose of the November general election during the period from April 24, 1973 through July 3, 1973, and these monies exceeded \$1,000.00.

NO!  
After consulting with legislators and employees of the legislature as well as other interested parties, I have joined in the conclusion that the July 24 reporting date refers only to income and expenditures for purposes of the June 5, 1973 primary election, and any monies expended during the April 24 to July 23 period for purposes of the general election are to be included in the first report in the fall required for the general election. It is our intention to so report all of our income and expenditures relating to the general election at that time.

I have called your office in an effort to confirm this interpretation, but unfortunately have not received a return call prior to today when the report must be submitted. We are therefore proceeding with the filing of the enclosed affidavit on the basis of the above described interpretation of the law and subsequent regulations. If we have misinterpreted the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission's requirements, please advise and we will be pleased to file a supplementary report containing all necessary information.

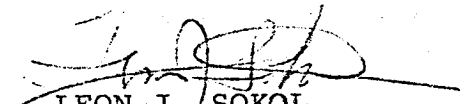
Mr. Frank P. Reiche

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,



LEON J. SOKOL  
Campaign Manager

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