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January 21, 1976

Mr. Richard Nest Treasurer Citizens for Good Government 1323 Anderson Avenue Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024

Re: The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act, Chapter 83, Laws of 1973, As Amended and Supplemented ("the Act")
Your Letter Dated October 9, 1975
Opinion #(0-24-75)

Dear Mr. Nest:

FRANK P. REICHE

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JOSEPHINE S. MARGETTS

Your letter dated October 9, 1975 to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply.

The solicitation of funds or other generalized political activities, not related to the candidacy of a specific candidate, when carried on by your organization prior to the commencement of election activity on behalf of candidates, will not constitute your committee as a political committee for candidates to whom contributions are later made by your committee and the fund raising expenditures by your committee will not in those circumstances be an expenditure against the spending limits of such candidates. Election activity in the case of a primary election means the commencement of political activity on behalf of candidates or the filing of petitions, whichever occurs first. All election activity after the primary election is deemed to be election activity with respect to the general election. Such candidates will of course have the obligation of reporting contributions from your committee as well as from any other person or organization, including the reporting of the name and the amount of contribution where the contribution is in excess of \$100.00.

Very truly yours,

Edward Jamell

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