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The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures

Reporting Act, Chapter 83, Laws of 1973 as

Amended and Supplemented ("the Act")

Your Recent Letter

Your Letter Dated January 5, 1977 Your Letter Dated January 24, 1977

Opinion #(0-48-76)

Dear Ms. Hull:

Your recent letter and letters dated January 5, 1977 and January 24, 1977 to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, have been forwarded to me for reply. We regret that the press of other Commission business has caused a delay in our response to your letter. Under the Act, you are protected by virtue of your request until receipt of this opinion.

It is assumed for this opinion that your organization is not a political party committee, and is not thus prohibited from making expenditures on behalf of a candidate in a primary election. Based on the circumstances set forth in your letter of January 5, 1977 and January 24, 1977 the 27th Assembly District Democratic Caucus would be a political committee on behalf of candidates in the primary election in June 1977, and as such would be subject to the reporting and other obligations of the Act.

Yours very truly,

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