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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 letter dated February 27, 1978 Opinion #0-20-78

Dear Mr. Liston:

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Your letter dated February 27, 1978 to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply.

Nothing in the Act prevents the use of a continuing political party committee account of the kind described in your letter. I assume that the procedure which you follow would simply be to notify the Commission before January 31 of each year of the name of the treasurer and of the designated depository, and that you will provide the information with respect to such account on the annual report required under the statute on March 1 of each year for the preceding calendar year, and in the pre-election and post-election reports with respect to any elections as to which you participate.

By copy of this letter, I am asking the Commission to forward to you copy of the Regulations of the Commission and the forms for reporting under the Act.

Yours very truly,

Edward J. Farrell

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Legal Counsel cc: Mr. Lewis B. Thurston, III

Executive Director

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