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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 May 15, 1979 Opinion #0-06-79

Dear Mr. Hillman:

Your letter dated May 15, 1979, to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply.

The Commission does not have authority to advise generally with respect to the election laws, since its authority is limited to the area of its responsibility, which is the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Disclosure Act (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1, et seq). This Act forms only a part of the election law of New Jersey which is contained in Title 19 of the New Jersey statutes. The remainder of the election law is under the jurisdiction of the Attorney General of New Jersey.

For your information I am enclosing a copy of Assembly Bill No. 3470 introduced on June 24, 1979 which would repeal the provision of N.J.S.A. 40:73-1 to which your request refers. For further information, we would suggest that you contact the office of the Attorney General of New Jersey.

Yours very truly,

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Enclosure

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