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Richard J. Codey Assemblyman, District 26 (Essex) 61 High Street Orange, New Jersey 07050

Re: The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act, Chapter 83, Laws of 1973 as Amended and Supplemented ("the Act") Your letter dated June 8, 1979
Opinion #0-09-79

Dear Mr. Codey:

Your letter dated June 8, 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, and following). 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.

Accordingly, while we regret that we are unable to provide you with an opinion upon which you may rely, we are of the view that the Commission does not have authority to make a determination of this kind with respect to whether the use which you describe is a proper use of campaign funds.

Yours very truly,

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