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Re: Advisory Opinion 13-1985

Dear Mr. Shuey:

I have been requested by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission to respond to your letter dated July 18, 1985.

The answers to your questions may depend upon the applicability of N.J.S.A. 19:34-45, prohibiting contributions by certain corporations. The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission is not authorized to render opinions with respect to the potential applicability of N.J.S.A. 19:34-45 because the authority of the Commission is limited to the matters contained in the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1, and following), which constitutes only part of Title 19 dealing with elections in New Jersey. Jurisdiction as to the remainder of Title 19 relating to elections is generally vested in the Attorney General of New Jersey. We would suggest that you refer this matter directly to that office.

In regard to Question 5, the Reporting Act requires only reporting of contributions to State or local candidates. However, if a Federal PAC that files reports under the Act makes contributions to both State candidates included in the Reporting Act and candidates not included, such as Federal candidates, only the aggregate amount contributed to Federal or out-of-state candidates must be disclosed on campaign reports filed under the Act.

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For your reference, I have enclosed a copy of an opinion of the Attorney General of New Jersey dealing with the applicability of N.J.S.A. 19:34-45 to Banks.

Very truly yours,

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