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PRESS RELEASE

Jeff Brindle, Executive Director of the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), announced today that dates have been set for the gubernatorial public financing debates.

According to Brindle, NJN-Public Television and Radio will hold its gubernatorial debate on October 1st, 2009 and William Patterson University will hold its gubernatorial debate on October 16th, 2009, to be aired on October 18th, 2009.

The lieutenant gubernatorial debate will be held on October 8th, 2009 and is sponsored by the Leadership New Jersey Consortium.

Brindle said that the Commission gave final approval of the debate schedule at its special meeting today.

“The Commission is pleased by the outcome of the scheduling process,” said Brindle. “It has traditionally been the goal of the ELEC to have these debates be as inclusive and informative as possible.”

Brindle said that the debates will include the publicly-financed candidates, Republican Christopher Christie, and Independent Christopher Daggett, who are required by law to participate in two publicly-financed debates.

Brindle said that Democratic Governor Jon S. Corzine has certified to having raised and spent \$340,000 on his campaign in order to participate in the debates.

Candidates who do not participate in the Gubernatorial Public Financing Program but who otherwise qualify for the program are permitted to participate in the public financing debates.

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