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Re: The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act, Chapter 83, Laws of 1973 as

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Amended and Supplemented ("the Act")
Your Letter Dated January 10, 1978

Opinion #(0-02-78)

Dear Mr. Sloane:

Your letter dated January 10, 1978 to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply.

Enclosed please find a copy of a Commission advisory opinion of last year which deals, in part, with the issue raised in your opinion request.

In response to your specific question, the Commission would regard the transfer of funds from the original campaign account of A,B,C,D,E and F to the new account to support the various candidates in the ensuing election as a transfer of such funds for the use of a another committee or candidate. As discussed in the enclosed, advisory opinion, the Commission would not challenge such a transfer of funds, although it should be noted that this issue may be subject to reexamination by the Commission in the future. It should also be noted that Commission Regulation 19:25-7.4 promulgated pursuant to the Act would prohibit the transfer of funds which had been specifically contributed for the benefit of a particular candidate to a candidate or committee opposing such particular candidate. A copy of Regulation 19:25-7.4 is enclosed herewith.

With respect to whether any particular allocation of the funds of the "Campaign Fund A,B,C,D,E, and F" among other new political party committees or political clubs would be proper, the Commission has no jurisdiction and would be unable to render any opinion.

Yours very truly,

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Enclosure