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Mr. Eugene A. Iadanza
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Re: The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and
Expenditures Reporting Act, Chapter 83, Laws
of 1973 as Amended and Supplemented ("the Act")
Your letter dated February 19, 1980
Opinion #0-09-80

Dear Mr. Iadanza:

Your letter dated February 19, 1980 to the New Jersey
Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"), in-
cluding a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded
to me for reply.

Based upon the facts set forth in your letter, the organi-
zation called "Friends of Candidate X" with respect to the
November, 1979 election would have no further obligation of
filing with the Commission after the transfer of the balance to
"Friends of Candidate X-1981 Committee".

The "Friends of Candidate X-1981 Committee" would have
no obligation of filing a new D1 report, but could rely upon
the D1 report previously filed by that Committee (described
in your letter as the "D1 report filed during January, 1981"),
if I understand your letter correctly. In any event, the
general rule is that a political committee must file a D1
prior to raising or spending funds on behalf of a candidate.
Each election is treated separately and a D1 must be filed
with respect to each election.

Assuming that the Committee does not intend any activity
with respect to the 1981 primary for its candidate, it would
be appropriate for filing of the A1 sworn statement on the
date for filing of the 25 day pre-election report, setting
forth that fact.

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If all of the activity of the committee is with respect to the 1981 general election, then the first R1 report filed 25 days prior to the general election of 1981 would have to include all contributions and expenditures made since its inception as described in your letter. Annual reports would not be required on the facts set forth in your letter.

All activities of the Committee must comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-18.

Yours very truly,



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