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PRESS RELEASE

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has released the names of candidates, treasurers, and legislative agents who were fined during 1997 for failure to comply with "The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act" (the Act) during the calendar years 1995 through and including 1997, and whose fines remain outstanding to date.

In each instance, the persons fined were given the opportunity for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. Final Decisions were entered by the Commission either following a hearing, after receipt of a waiver of hearing from the parties being fined, or after having received no response from the parties being fined.

Each of the cases listed is a case in which the fine has remained unpaid for at least 90 days following issuance of the Final Decision and for which a written request for payment has been made by the Commission. The letter requesting payment advised the parties that the names of those persons whose fines remain unpaid would be circulated to the press. Those cases for which the violation is identified as "non-filing" of campaign reports are cases in which Commission records indicate the party still has not filed campaign reports with the Commission for the particular election involved.

The publication of this list is a Commission procedure, begun with complaints issued for calendar year 1988, designed to foster compliance, enhance disclosure, and make enforcement more effective.

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The Act requires that candidates spending more than \$2,400 for an election file detailed campaign reports (Form R-1) of their financial activities with the Commission 29 and 11 days prior to an election and 20 days after the election. Candidates spending \$2,400 or less are permitted to file a Candidate Sworn Statement (Form A-1) with the Commission 29 days prior to an election in lieu of the detailed Form R-1. Where candidates were required to file R-1 Forms, fines were imposed jointly on the candidates and their treasurers.

Political Party Committees and Continuing Political Committees are required to file detailed quarterly reports (Form R-3) with the Commission. Fines were imposed jointly on these committees and their treasurers.

All candidates are notified by the Commission of their reporting obligations. Candidates who fail to report are notified that reports have not been received. The Act gives the Commission broad authority to initiate enforcement actions against candidates, committees, and treasurers, including imposition of monetary penalties. Factors considered by the Commission in levying fines include the number of days the filing is late and any previous violations that are on record with the Commission. Sheriff service fees may also be included in fine amounts.

Copies of the Complaints and Commission Final Decisions are available at the Commission offices at 28 West State Street, 13th Floor, Trenton, New Jersey. ELEC's letter to persons and entities not paying their fines is attached. Please note that the spending thresholds noted above went into effect on January 1, 1997, and prior to that date the spending thresholds were of a lower monetary value. Any questions should be addressed to the Commission at (609) 292-8700.

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ELECTION: 1995 PRIMARY ELECTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Gary Iacobacci	(C) (D)	Essex County, Town of Bloomfield	Municipal	Late Filing	\$2,714.60

C - CANDIDATE	T - TREASURER	CPC - CONTINUING POLITICAL COMMITTEE	PPC - POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEE
D - DEMOCRAT	R - REPUBLICAN	I - INDEPENDENT	N - NON-PARTISAN

ELECTION: 1995 GENERAL ELECTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Stephen D. Landfield and Stanley B. Yablonsky	(C) (T) (D) (C) (D)	25 th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$300.00 (Landfield) \$ 50.00 (Yablonsky)
David B. Wharton, Sr. Gloria Smith	(C) (D) (T)	Camden County, City of Camden	Municipal	Late Filing	\$1,100.00 jointly

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ELECTION: 1995 SCHOOL BOARD

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Jeffrey Dykes	(C) (N)	Essex County, City of Newark	School Board	Non-Filing	\$5,178.20

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ELECTION: 1996 LOBBYING REPORTS

<u>Legislative Agent Name</u>	<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Violations</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Robert G. Williams	Second	Late Filing	\$250.00
Jacqueline Eaker	Second	Late Filing	\$314.92

ELECTION: 1996 PRIMARY ELECTION

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Judson Breslin	(C) (R)	Morris County, Mountain Lakes Borough	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1,516.84
Ralph L. Johnson	(C) (D)	Camden County, Chesilhurst Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$270.04
Thomas Ludlum	(C) (D)	Bergen County, Glen Rock Borough	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1,516.36
Dena Dellaquila and Victor Santucci	(C) (R)	Camden County, Oaklyn Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$279.84
Joseph P. Donahue	(C) (R)	Camden County, Runnemede Borough	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1,515.88
Christian Semenech and Jason Roth	(C) (D)	Bergen County, Hasbrouck Heights Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$427.60, jointly, plus \$100.00* on Semenech
Keith F. Cunningham	(C) (R)	Camden County, Hi-Nella Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$200.00

* Previous violation surcharge

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Albert McWilliam	(C) (D)	Union County, Plainfield City	Municipal	Late Filing	\$150.00
Dena Dellaquila and Victor Santucci	(C) (R)	Camden County, Oaklyn Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$329.84, jointly
Stuart Goldberg	(C) (D)	Camden County, Laurel Springs Borough	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1,517.16
Gary Iacobacci	(C) (D)	Essex County, Town of Bloomfield	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1,914.6
Mitchell L. Rosenberg	(C) (D)	Bergen County, City of Englewood	Municipal	Late Filing	\$264.92
Mary Anne Reinhart	(C) (D)	Burlington County, Shamong Township	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1,519.40
Robert Harsell	(C) (I)	Hudson County	County Freeholder	Late Filing	\$120.00

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Christopher Thomas	(C) (R)	Cape May County, Woodbine Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$150.00

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Re: ELEC v. _____, I.D. # _____

Dear _____:

The Commission has directed me to contact you concerning the unpaid penalty in the above referenced matter. A Final Decision was mailed to you on _____ imposing a fine of \$_____.

According to our records, you have not paid this penalty. Therefore, please submit a check or money order payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey in the amount of \$_____. If you have paid, please advise us immediately in writing, enclosing a copy of both sides of the canceled check, so that we can verify our records.

Please be advised that a listing of the names of candidates, treasurers, and committees who have not paid outstanding fines from past elections will be periodically released by the Commission to the press and media for publication.

Please address your payment to my attention at the Commission address provided above. To insure proper crediting, write the identification number that appears above on your check or money order.

Very truly yours,
Election Law Enforcement Commission