

January 11, 1974

Mr. Fred Coldren
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N. J. Republican State Committee
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Dear Mr. Coldren:

Your letter of December 12, 1973, to the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("The Commission"), including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded to me for reply.

There is nothing in the statute that would prohibit transfer of funds by the New Jersey Republican Finance Committee to other committees or candidates, nor from making expenditures to cover political obligations incurred by other committees or candidates. The Commission has no authority to declare use of funds to be proper or improper, but we note nothing in such expenditures which would appear to be unlawful, assuming no express or implied limitation on the use of such funds by the contributor of such funds.

The payment or transfer must be shown as an expenditure by the N. J. Republican Finance Committee in its reports. The payment or transfer must be reported as a contribution by the committee or candidates to whom transferred.

Yours very truly,

NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW
ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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