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Honorable Barry T. Parker  
Senator, 8th District  
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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 August 15, 1975  
Opinion #(0-17-75)

Dear Senator Parker:

Your letter dated August 15, 1975 to the New Jersey  
Election Law Enforcement Commission ("the Commission"),  
including a request for advisory opinion, has been forwarded  
to me for reply.

The Commission does not have authority to advise  
generally with respect to the election laws, since its  
authority is limited to the area of its responsibility, which  
is the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures  
Disclosure Act (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 and following). This Act  
forms only a part of the election law of New Jersey, which  
is contained in Title 19 of the New Jersey Statutes. The  
remainder of the election law is under the jurisdiction of  
the Attorney General of New Jersey.

The flyer which you propose to release does not violate  
any of the provisions of the Act. Your letter does not set  
forth the circumstances in which the proposed flyer would  
be distributed. In the event that the flyer were to be distri-  
buted by you in connection with a political campaign or at  
a time when you were actively engaged in a political campaign,  
additional questions might be raised with respect to whether  
its use in those circumstances would require the reporting


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of some or all of the expenditure as an expenditure in aid or furtherance of your candidacy and the inclusion of such expenditure in your spending limits. No such facts are suggested by your letter and in the absence of such a consideration the material you have described does not appear to violate any of the provisions of the Act.

Very truly yours,



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