

NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

February 9, 1976

PRESENT

Frank P. Reiche, Chairman  
Sidney Goldmann, Vice-Chairman  
Josephine S. Margetts, Member  
Archibald S. Alexander, Member  
Edward J. Farrell, Counsel  
Herbert Alexander, Consultant

ABSENT

NONE

The meeting convened at 10:00 a.m.

In compliance with the Open Meetings Law, P.L. 1975, c.231, Notice of Commission meetings was filed with the Secretary of State's Office, Attorney General's Office, State House Annex, two newspapers (Newark Star Ledger and the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin) and the State House Press Corps.

David F. Norcross, former Executive Director and Lewis B. Thurston, III, Executive Director-Designate, were also present at the Commission meeting as members of the public for the first part of the meeting.

- 1) Discussion was held with respect to the Governor's Budget Message and the budget specified for the Election Law Enforcement Commission. It was decided by the Commission to have Chairman Reiche arrange a meeting for himself and Vice-Chairman Goldmann with the Governor within the next two weeks to discuss the Governor's recommended budget for the Commission.
- 2) Discussion of the U. S. Supreme Court ruling in Buckley v. Valeo.  
Edward J. Farrell, Counsel to the Commission, reported on the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in Buckley v. Valeo. The Commission decided to suspend proceedings on expenditure limitation cases pending clarification of the U.S. Supreme Court opinion. Counsel was directed to meet with the Attorney General and report back to the Commission at its next meeting on March 3, 1976.
- 3) The January 13, 1976 minutes were approved as amended.
- 4) The January 22, 1976 minutes were approved as amended.
- 5) On motion duly made and seconded in each case it was resolved to take the specific action indicated in regard to each of the late filers for the 1975 Primary and May Municipal Elections as shown on the attached list.  
(Appendix A)

- 6) Commission vs. E. Allen Rehling (C-30, C-71 and C-72-75)  
On motion by Chairman Reiche, seconded by Vice-Chairman Goldmann, the request by respondent's attorney for a rehearing and reconsideration of the penalty imposed was denied. (Vote 4-0)
  
- 7) Warner vs. West Long Branch Rep. Committee (C-314-75)  
Deferred until March 3, 1976 meeting. Mr. McCafferty to submit additional information.
  
- 8) Commission vs. Elizabeth Police Superiors Association (C-08-76)  
The Commission proposed the appointment of Gerald Miller as Hearing Officer.
  
- 9) Letter from Assemblyman Vincent O. Pellechia  
This inquiry regarding another person's accreditation of a political advertisement categorized as a possible "dirty trick" was deemed outside of the Election Law Enforcement's jurisdiction and, therefore, referred to the Attorney General's Office for possible action.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank P. Reiche,  
Chairman