NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

JUNE 18, 1984

PRESENT

Andrew C. Axtell, Chairman Alexander P. Waugh, Jr., Vice Chairman Hadyn Proctor, Member William R. Schmidt, Asst. Executive Director Gregory E. Nagy, Staff Counsel* Cheryl R. Clarke, Asst. Staff Counsel Edward J. Farrell, Counsel

* Mr. Nagy attended a portion of the executive session.

Chairman Axtell called the meeting to order and announced that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law, P.L. 1975, c. 231, annual notice of the meeting of the Commission had been filed with the Secretary of State's office and distributed to the entire State House press corps.

The meeting convened at 9:30 a.m. at the offices of the Commission, 28 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

1. Executive Session

On a motion by Commissioner Proctor, seconded by Commissioner Waugh and a vote of 3-0, the Commission decided to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters, the results of which will be made public after their conclusion.

2. Approval of Minutes of Public Session of Commission Meeting of June 4, 1984

Acting Executive Director Schmidt noted that there was an omission in Section 3, Advisory Opinion No. 12-1984, to the effect that the Commission's approval of the draft advisory opinion was on a motion made by Commissioner Waugh, seconded by Commissioner Proctor and a vote of 3-0.

On a motion by Commissioner Waugh, seconded by Commissioner Proctor and a vote of 3-0, the Commission approved the minutes, as amended, of the public session of June 4, 1984.

3. Approval of Minutes of Public Session of Commission Meeting of June 12, 1984

On a motion by Commissioner Waugh, seconded by Commissioner Proctor and a vote of 3-0, the Commission approved the minutes of the public session of June 12, 1984.

4. "Short Form" Reporting for Political Party Committees and Certain Political Clubs

The Commission reviewed a three-page June 14, 1984 memorandum from Acting Executive Director Schmidt concerning political party committees and certain political clubs "short form" reporting, along with a two-page June 8, 1984 memorandum from former Executive Director Weiner addressed to Mr. Schmidt and Director of Compliance and Review Juana M. Schultz. Following discussion, the Commission decided to delay action on the "short form" reporting proposal until its next meeting on Monday, June 25, 1984.

5. Acting Executive Director's Report

Mr. Schmidt advised the Commission of the resignation of Leslie G. London, Election Finance Analyst, effective July 31, 1984. He said Ms. London has accepted a position to work in the Newark office of Senator Lautenberg under former Executive Director Weiner. He said that he would have all of Ms. London's summary memoranda co-signed by the Assistant Election Finance Analyst who did the initial investigation, or by either Assistant Staff Counsel Cheryl Clarke or Staff Counsel Greg Nagy for those cases where Ms. London did the initial investigation. In addition, he said he would have a second staff member join Ms. London in any field investigations she has scheduled. Finally, he said that no new cases would be assigned to Ms. London.

Mr. Schmidt advised the Commission that a third proposal had been received from a firm named Information Spectrum to prepare software to be used on Wang equipment. He said that he and Ms. Schultz had met with Gerald Doran of OMB to do an initial review of the proposals. He said that he hoped that the three of them, following additional reviews this week, would be able to arrive at a final conclusion as to which vendor should be retained to develop the new data processing system for the Commission.

Mr. Schmidt said that he had approved an office picnic to be held on Friday, June 29, 1984 beginning at 3:00 p.m. to be held at Staff Counsel Nagy's home in Hopewell Township. He said that provision would be made to cover the office telephones during the two-hour period while staff is away from the office.

6. Resolution to Return to Executive Session

On a motion by Commissioner Proctor, seconded by Commissioner Waugh and a vote of 3-0, the Commission decided to return to executive session to discuss personnel, investigative and enforcement matters, the result of which will be made public at their conclusion.

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7. Adjournment

On a motion by Commissioner Waugh, seconded by Commissioner Proctor and a vote of 3-0, the Commission voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Acting Executive Director