

NEW JERSEY ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 24, 1985

PRESENT:

Andrew C. Axtell, Chairman
Alexander P. Waugh, Jr., Vice Chairman
Haydn Proctor, Member
Owen V. McNany, Member
Frederick M. Herrmann, Executive Director
Gregory E. Nagy, Staff Counsel
Peter D. Nichols, Director of Public Financing
Sandra L. Magee, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT:

Jeffrey M. Brindle, Deputy Director
Edward J. Farrell, General Counsel

Chairman Axtell called the telephonic meeting to order and asked Executive Director Herrmann to read the open public meeting statement.

Mr. Herrmann announced that pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act," P.L. 1974, c. 231, special notice of the meeting of the Commission has been filed with the Secretary of State's office and distributed to the entire State House press corps.

The meeting convened at 10:05 a.m. at the office of the Commission, 28 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

1. Public Financing Certification

Executive Director Herrmann reviewed the public financing certification for the campaign of gubernatorial candidate Peter Shapiro. Mr. Herrmann said the campaign made its submission on Monday, September 23, 1985. He said the Commissioners would be voting to certify \$170,000 to the Shapiro '85 committee, or a match percentage of 85%. He said that the \$170,000 figure was derived as follows:

\$100,000	-	submission
x .85	-	match percentage
<u>\$ 85,000</u>	-	85% matchable amount
2	-	match rate
<u>\$170,000</u>	-	amount for certification

Chairman Axtell asked how much from the first submission did the Shapiro campaign have left to correct. Director of Public Financing Peter Nichols responded that there was approximately a \$12,000 error amount equalling \$25,000 in public matching funds. There were no serious errors. Executive Director Herrmann said that Mr. Shapiro thus far has qualified for:

\$474,220	-	as of September 17, 1985
<u>170,000</u>	-	as of September 24, 1985
<u>\$644,220</u>	-	total certification amount

On a motion by Commissioner McNany, seconded by Commissioner Proctor and a vote of 4-0, the Commission voted to approve the submission for certification.

2. Meeting Date

Executive Director Herrmann reminded the Commission that the next meeting will take place in Interlaken Borough Hall, Interlaken, New Jersey at 10:30 a.m. Directions will be included in the agenda materials to be mailed on Wednesday, September 25, 1985.

3. Friends of Governor Tom Kean v.
the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission

A brief discussion of the above-captioned court case occurred. Vice Chairman Waugh, who attended the oral argument of the Supreme Court on Monday, September 23, 1985, reported on the proceedings and said the Commission is waiting for the Supreme Court opinion.

4. Adjournment

On a motion by Vice Chairman Waugh, seconded by Commissioner Proctor and a vote of 4-0, the Commission voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,



FREDERICK M. HERRMANN
Executive Director