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**N.J. Election Law Enforcement Commission**

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The Election Law Enforcement Commission has released the names of the following candidates, treasurers, and political committees which the Commission reprimanded or fined for failure to comply with the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act: Twelve candidates, and one political committee in the 1983 general election and one political committee in the 1983 primary election.

Summary sheets are attached for the candidates fined in connection with these elections. The summary sheets give the names of the candidates, the public offices they were seeking, the type of reports filed, the number of days the reports were late, and Commission's actions. Also, when a candidate has been fined as a previous violator of the Act, the summary sheets indicate it.

In addition to the candidates and treasurers, the Commission fined two political committees for failing to comply with the Act:

- (1) The National Rifle Association Political Victory Fund supported candidates in the 1983 general election. The committee filed its 25-day preelection report 249 days late, its 7-day preelection report 231 days late and its 15-day postelection report 209 days late. The Commission imposed a fine of \$600/300. The fine of \$300 was paid.

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- (2) The Realtors PAC supported candidates in the 1983 primary election. The committee filed its 25-day preelection report 154 days late, and its 7-day preelection report 136 days late. The Commission imposed a fine of \$200/100. The fine of \$100 was paid.

The Act prior to being amended in January, 1984, required that during these elections candidates and political committees spending more than \$1,000.00 file reports of their financial activities with the Commission 25 and 7 days prior to an election and 15 days after the election. Candidates spending \$1,000.00 or less were required to file a certified statement (Form A-1) with the Commission 25 days prior to an election.

Final Decisions have been mailed to all candidates and political committees. The publication of this list is part of revised Commission procedures, begun with the 1978 primary election, designed to foster compliance, enhance disclosure, and make enforcement more effective.

All candidates are notified by the Commission of their reporting obligations. Candidates who failed to report in a timely manner are again notified that reports have not been received.

The Act gives the Commission broad authority to initiate enforcement actions against candidates and political committees including civil enforcement and imposition of monetary penalties.

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Factors considered by the Commission in levying fines include the number of days the filing is late and any previous violations that are on record with the Commission. In some cases, the Commission has imposed fines with two figures, for example "\$50/\$25." This notation means that the Commission has imposed a fine of \$50, which fine will be reduced to \$25 if payment is received within 30 days after service of the Final Decision.

Copies of the Complaints and Commission Final Decisions are available at the Commission offices at the National State Bank Building, 28 West State Street, Suite 1215, Trenton, New Jersey.

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ELECTION: 1983 GENERAL ELECTION

NAME	COUNTY & MUNICIPALITY	OFFICE SOUGHT	PARTY	FILING	DAYS LATE	COMMISSION ACTION
1. CANTONI, TERRY R.	NEWFIELD BOROUGH GLOUCESTER COUNTY	MUNICIPAL	R	A-1	17	REPRIMAND plus \$16.85 in fees
2. BUTLER, EDWARD	HAMPTON BOROUGH HUNTERDON COUNTY	MUNICIPAL	D	A-1	17	\$50/25 plus \$23.24 in fees Previous violator
3. KING, EDWARD L.	OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SUSSEX COUNTY	MUNICIPAL	D	A-1	109	\$100/50
4. BARNES, SARAH ANN	ALLENTOWN BOROUGH MONMOUTH COUNTY	MUNICIPAL	R	A-1	213	\$200/100
5. GRANT, DANIEL L.	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT #26	STATE ASSEMBLY	D	A-1	306	\$200/100 plus \$18.12 in fees
6. TEDDINGTON, CHARLES	EAST ORANGE ESSEX COUNTY	MUNICIPAL	R	A-1	346	\$250/125 Previous violator
7. PENN, MARK E.	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT #20	STATE ASSEMBLY	R	A-1	346	\$200/100 plus \$13.60 in fees
8. SUMNER, JACK L.	HAWORTH BOROUGH BERGEN COUNTY	MUNICIPAL	R	A-1	349	\$250/125 plus \$15.27 in fees
9. CLARK JR., EDWARD F.	HUDSON COUNTY	COUNTY EXECUTIVE	D	R-1	230	\$200/100
10. THOMAS, BEVERLY	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT #29	STATE ASSEMBLY	R	R-1	328	\$200/100 plus \$14.10 in fees

