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Press Advisory

The general 1989 election filing period for all candidates running for public office begins on October 10th and continues until the end of November. Due to Fiscal Year 1990 budgetary cuts, the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) must temporarily reduce its services by limiting the amount of reports released to the public. Note that this reduction of services will not affect the primary and general 1989 Gubernatorial or Legislative reports, or 3rd quarter 1989 Continuing Political Committee reports. The primary reports will be available at any time, and the general and quarterly reports will be readily available for review 48 hours after each filing date.

From October 1st to November 30th, the following schedule will be in effect:

1. 1987 and 1985 Gubernatorial and Legislative candidate information available in computerized print-out sheets only. Hard copy requests for contributor information will only be filled before October 1st and after November 30th.
2. 1989 primary and general local candidate reports are available for review at the county clerks' offices. ELEC will provide the local primary election information at any time, and the general election information as it is processed during October and November. Please expect two weeks turnaround time.

3. Reports of Continuing Political Committees prior to the 3rd quarter of 1989 will be available in hard copy before October 1st and after November 30th.
4. 1988 local elections and local elections prior to 1988 are available at the county clerks' offices. Copies of reports filed at ELEC will only be available before October 1st and after November 30th.

ELEC staff sincerely regrets this temporary reduction of services. After the busy general election period is over, all requests for information will be processed as quickly as possible.

Your cooperation and understanding are greatly appreciated.