



NEWS RELEASE

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PRESS RELEASE

The New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) has released the names of candidates and treasurers who were fined for failure to comply with "The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act" (the Act) during the 1988, 1989, 1990, and 1991 calendar years, and whose fines remain outstanding to date.

In each instance, the persons fined were given the opportunity for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. Final Decisions were entered by the Commission either following a hearing, after receipt of a waiver of hearing from the parties being fined, or after having received no response from the parties being fined.

Each of the cases listed is a case in which the fine has remained unpaid for at least 90 days following issuance of the Final Decision and for which a written request for payment has been made by the Commission. The letter requesting payment advised the parties that the names of those persons whose fines remain unpaid would be circulated to the press. Those cases for which the violation is identified as

"non-filing" of campaign reports are cases in which Commission records indicate the party still has not filed campaign reports with the Commission for the particular election involved.

The publication of this list is a Commission procedure, begun with complaints issued for calendar year 1988, designed to foster compliance, enhance disclosure, and make enforcement more effective.

The Act requires that candidates spending more than \$2,000 for an election file detailed campaign reports (Form R-1) of their financial activities with the Commission 29 and 11 days prior to an election and 20 days after the election. Candidates spending \$2,000 or less are required to file a Form A-1 with the Commission 29 days prior to an election. Where candidates were required to file R-1 Forms, fines were imposed jointly on the candidates and their treasurers.

The Act also requires that political committees spending more than \$2,500 for an election in support of or opposition to a public question file detailed campaign reports (Form R-1) of their financial activities with the Commission. Political committees spending more than \$1,000 for an election in support of or opposition to candidates are also required to file detailed campaign reports (Form R-1) with the Commission. Fines were imposed jointly on these political committees and their treasurers.

Continuing political committees spending more than \$2,500 in a calendar year for election-related activity are required to file detailed quarterly reports (Form R-3) of their financial activity with the Commission. Continuing political committees spending \$2,500 or less are required to file a Form A-3 with the Commission once a year. Fines for continuing political committees were jointly imposed upon the committees and their treasurers.

All candidates are notified by the Commission of their reporting obligations. Candidates that fail to report are notified that reports have not been received. The Act gives the Commission broad authority to initiate enforcement actions against candidates and treasurers, including imposition of monetary penalties. 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. Sheriff service fees may also be included in fine amounts.

This list also includes cases where candidates have failed to pay penalties imposed for violations of the Gubernatorial Legislative Disclosure Statement Act (Pages 5 and 10).

Copies of the Complaints and Commission Final Decisions are available at the Commission offices at the National State Bank Building, 28 West State Street, 12th Floor, Trenton, New Jersey. ELEC's letter to persons and entities not paying their fines is attached.

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ELECTION: 1988 Quarterly Reports

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Friends of Philip Huhn and Lloyd R. Leitstein (T)	(CPC)	Monmouth County		Not Applicable	Late Filing of Quarterly Reports	\$900.00

C - CANDIDATE T - TREASURER PC - POLITICAL COMMITTEE CPC - CONTINUING POLITICAL COMMITTEE
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ELECTION: 1989 PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation(s)</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Kurt Culbreath	(C)	29th Legislative District	State Assembly	Non-Filing	\$2,014.10

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ELECTION: 1989 GENERAL ELECTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation(s)</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Richard J. Kemly	(C)	37th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$231.08
Herbert Bradshaw	(C)	Essex County, City of East Orange	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$2,014.80

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ELECTION: 1990 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation(s)</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Antonio Miguelez	(C)	Hudson County,	Municipal	Late Filing	\$358.46
Gerald Caputo	(T)	Union City			

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ELECTION: 1990 PRIMARY ELECTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation(s)</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Joseph C. Amann	(C)	Monmouth County, Fair Haven Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$218.76
Joseph Budis	(D)	Union County, New Providence Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$235.60

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ELECTION: 1990 GENERAL ELECTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation(s)</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Senate Republican Victory '89	(R) (PC)	1st Legislative District	Not Applicable	Late Filing	\$615.00
Steven L. Sacks-Wilner	(T)				
Kim Feinstein	(C) (D)	Atlantic County, City of Somers Point	Municipal	Late Filing	\$300.00
John DiMario	(T)				
Michael Grier	(C) (R)	Essex County	County Freeholder	Non-Filing	\$2014.10
Neil Schulman	(C) (R)	Hudson County	County Freeholder	Non-Filing	\$1013.64
Russell E. Lewis	(C) (N)	Hudson County, Jersey City	Municipal	Late Filing	\$227.28
Michael Lari	(C) (I)	Hudson County,	Municipal	Late Filing	\$200.00
		Town of Secaucus			
Joseph Amann	(C) (D)	Monmouth County, Fair Haven Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$137.52
Joseph Budis	(C) (R)	Union County, New Providence Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$235.60

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ELECTION: 1991 PERSONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>County - Municipality/District</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>	<u>Violation(s)</u>	<u>Fine Outstanding</u>
Micahel S. Permuko	(C) (R)	10th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$314.60
Kevin Meara	(C) (I)	14th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$300.00
Joseph H. Notarangelo	(C) (I)	23rd Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$317.00
Jerry Vitiello	(C) (D)	26th Legislative District	State Assembly	Non-Filing	\$1017.00
James Orange	(C) (D)	28th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$300.00
Walter Jacobs	(C) (D)	28th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$300.00

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Albert Fanale	(C) (N)	Bergen County, Lodi Borough	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$1015.08
Jerry L. Forman	(C) (N)	Hudson County, City of Hoboken	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$2013.64

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ELECTION: 1991 PRIMARY ELECTION

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Drew Brithcer	(C) (D)	26th Legislative District	State Assembly	Late Filing	\$100.00
Edward D. Dennis	(C) (D)	Atlantic County, City of Egg Harbor	Municipal	Late Filing	\$150.00
Christian Sememecz	(C) (D)	Bergen County, Hasbrouck Heights Borough	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$2013.80
John Connors	(C) (D)	Bergen County, Ridgefield Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$150.00
John McGinnis	(C) (R)	Burlington County, Tabernacle Township	Municipal	Late Filing	\$214.92
Thomas E. Suggs	(C) (D)	Cumberland County, Deerfield Township	Municipal	Non-Filing	\$2016.00
Gary J. Sheppard	(C) (R)	Hunterdon County, East Amwell Township	Municipal	Late Filing	\$100.00
Kenneth Zalenski	(C) (R)	Middlesex County, Jamesburg Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$100.00
Patrick W. Montgomery	(C) (D)	Ocean County, Seaside Heights Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$100.00
Frank Donato	(C) (D)	Passaic County, Bloomingdate Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$100.00
Lissa N. Wall	(C) (R)	Sussex County, Andover Borough	Municipal	Late Filing	\$100.00

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