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Despite existing vacancies, the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) will continue to function effectively, according to a statement released today.

"We want the public to be assured that there will be no slowdown of business," said Jeff Brindle, Executive Director of the Commission.

He said compliance and website services will continue functioning normally, with seminars proceeding as planned and information provided as usual.

"I want to emphasize that there will be little, if any, interruption in enforcement activity," said Brindle.

The statement came in the wake of the announcement that Commission Vice Chairman Walter Timpone has been nominated to the State Supreme Court, which may temporarily leave the Commission with one member, Chairman Ronald DeFilippis.

Brindle, on behalf of the Commission, congratulated Timpone on his nomination, saying "it is very deserving and that the Commissioner is a real quality guy."

He added "It's a real feather in the cap of the Commission to have two commissioners potentially serve on the Supreme Court."

The other is the late Supreme Court Justice Haydn Proctor.

The Commission has been functioning with two commissioners, during which time it has continued to initiate enforcement matters and undertaken compliance efforts.

Brindle said "This Commission has been recognized as one of the best in the nation. We will not let this tradition fade."

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