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**From:** Jane Goichman [REDACTED]  
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**To:** Advice  
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I just read the LA Times article regarding the FPPC suspending its rule barring gifts to federal candidates. Hmm—Mr. Hatch presumably knew or should have known the “rules of the game” before accepting appointment to the FPPC. Regardless what his 1<sup>st</sup> amendment rights are, he should have and should now recognize that in accepting the position, it is imperative that the FPPC members not “appear” biased. If he felt that he could not accommodate the prior rule barring gifts to certain political candidates while he serves on the FPPC, he should have refrained from accepting the position. The FPPC should readopt the rule barring FPPC members from giving gifts to any candidate appearing on California ballots while they serve on the Commission.

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