



California Fair Political Practices Commission

February 11, 1987

Assemblywoman Jacqueline Speier
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Our File No. I-87-052

Dear Assemblywoman Speier:

Enclosed are the materials we discussed during our meeting last week. These include:

1. A Notice of Termination (Form 415) which you should use if you wish to terminate the committee formed to support your local office. Also enclosed are the "Information Manual on Campaign Disclosure Provisions of the Political Reform Act" and the campaign disclosure statement (Form 490) for use in 1987.
2. An opinion issued to Merle J. Goddard, 4 FPPC Opinions 1 (No. 77-004, Jan. 11, 1978), with regard to luncheon meetings held by the Institute of Governmental Advocates.
3. An opinion issued to Senator John A. Nejedly, 2 FPPC Opinions 45 (No. 75-190, April 8, 1976), and an advice letter issued to Senator Diane Watson, No. A-83-158 (Aug. 2, 1983). These discuss solicitation by members of the Legislature of funds for non-profit and non-political organizations.

In addition, this will confirm my advice that honoraria are treated in the same manner as gifts under the Political Reform Act.^{1/} That is, if they are not used and, within 30 days of receipt are delivered to a charitable organization without being claimed as a charitable contribution for tax purposes, they are not reportable on your statement of economic interests (Form 721). (Section 82028.) However, if you deposit honoraria into a non-profit fund (e.g., a scholarship fund), which you establish, direct or control, they are reportable.

^{1/} Government Code Sections 81000-91015. All statutory references are to the Government Code unless otherwise noted.

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I hope this adequately answers all of your questions.
Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further
assistance.

Sincerely,



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