



California Fair Political Practices Commission

December 17, 1992

Jeffrey R. Burns
610 E. Utica Avenue
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Re: Our File No. G-92-651

Dear Mr. Burns:

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I hope this adequately responds to your question. Please call me at (916) 322-5662 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alice Hughes".

Alice Hughes
Political Reform Consultant
Technical Assistance Division

ADVICE LETTER # I-92-

REQUESTER: Jeffrey R. Burns

This letter was written by: Alice Hughes

The 21 working-days expires: _____

However, a response has been requested by: 12/28/92

Upon review, return to: Alice Hughes

DIVISION CHIEF, TA&A

CW APPROVED

Comments to Executive Director and Chairman: _____

GENERAL COUNSEL:

_____ APPROVED

_____ Without change

_____ See changes noted in letter

General Comments/Thoughts: _____

_____ NOT APPROVED

Reasons/Comments: _____

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

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December 7, 1992

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Fair Political Practices Commission
P.O. Box 807
Sacramento, CA 95812

Dear Ms Hughes,

As per our conversation today, I am contacting your agency for clarification concerning a matter pertaining to the "Bill Allen for U.S. Senate" primary campaign of 1992.

As I mentioned I have had some difficulty in obtaining monetary compensation due me for services performed for the campaign between November 1, 1991 and March 9, 1992.

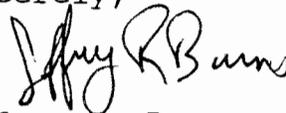
At an appearance in Small Claims Court today, the candidate William Barclay Allen disavowed any financial responsibility. His position is that I was employed by the campaign committee, and not he personally.

The Judge's response to this position was that "perhaps" I should amend my suit to include the committee "Bill Allen for U.S. Senate" as a defendant. I explained to the Judge that no such committee in reality existed, and that the campaign was directed by the candidate himself, including my separation from the campaign on March 9, 1992 without compensation. At that point he indicated that he did not want to give me legal advice. I explained to him that Mr. Allen appeared to be stalling the case so that he could move from the state by January without paying me. Understanding that, the Judge placed the matter on his calendar December 28, 1992, and asked his clerk to so inform Mr. Allen.

I had conversation today with a Mr. Kevin Salley of the Federal Election Commission. I questioned him as to the financial responsibility of the candidate in these situations, and he responded that the FEC always defers to state law on these matters.

I would greatly appreciate you sending me a written position of your agency concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



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