



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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June 26, 2012

Honorable Isadore Hall, III
California State Assembly

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Advisory Letter Re: FPPC No. 12/285; Isadore Hall, III, Respondent

Dear Assemblyman Hall:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),¹ found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a referral from the Commission's Technical Assistance Division that alleged that you received a gift over the limit in the 2011 calendar year.

On your 2011 Annual Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700) filed February 27, 2012, you reported receiving concert tickets from Majestic Realty Co., on June 28, 2011 valued at \$450. The Act provides that no public official may receive a gift over the gift limit. In 2011, that gift limit was \$420. (Section 89503; Regulation 18940.2). In response to a letter to you, you indicated that Majestic Realty provided you with gifts of tickets on two separate occasions in June and that they contacted you asking for reimbursement in the amount of \$169 stating that the cumulative gifts given exceeded a \$450 gift limit. You relied on this information and sent reimbursement in the amount of \$169.

As a result of our letter to you, you reimbursed Majestic Realty another \$30 to bring the value of gifts below the correct gift limit of \$420. Since you were aware of a gift limit and initially believed you reimbursed the donor sufficiently to bring the value of the gifts below the limit, and since upon receiving our letter you immediately reimbursed the donor another \$30, we are closing this matter.

However, you must amend your 2011 annual statement to reflect the most recent reimbursement. The gift schedule from a Form 700 is enclosed for your use. Once completed, please forward it to the Commission's Technical Assistance Division.

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

The FPPC publishes forms and manuals to facilitate compliance with the Act. If you need forms or a manual, or guidance regarding your obligations, please call the FPPC's Technical Assistance Division at (916) 322-5660, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please also visit our website at www.fppc.ca.gov.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact us at (916) 322-5660.

Sincerely

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Enclosure