



California Fair Political Practices Commission

April 20, 1988

Patricia Anderson
City Clerk
1327 Foothill Blvd.
La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011

Re: Your Request for Advice
Our File No. I-88-135

Dear Ms. Anderson:

You have requested information on the campaign disclosure provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act").^{1/} Because you are seeking general information, your request is considered to be for informal assistance.^{2/}

In a telephone conversation with you on April 8th, you told me that many of the facts in your letter of March 31, 1988 had changed. Therefore, this letter does not address the questions in your letter. The purpose of this letter is to confirm the telephone advice I gave to you on April 8th.

A candidate for city council filed incorrect or incomplete campaign disclosure statements for both preelection periods. I advised you that the candidate is required to file statements for both himself and for his controlled committee. He should file a Form 490, which is a combined candidate and controlled committee statement, for the first preelection period of January 1, 1988 through February 26, 1988. Also he is required to amend the Form 490 which he filed for the second preelection campaign statement to cover the period February 27th through March 26th.

^{1/}Government Code Sections 81000-91015. All statutory references are to the Government Code unless otherwise indicated. Commission regulations appear at 2 California Code of Regulations Section 18000, et seq. All references to regulations are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations.

^{2/}Your letter states only a general question. Therefore, we consider it to be a request for informal assistance pursuant to Regulation 18329(c) (copy enclosed). Informal assistance does not provide the requestor with the immunity provided by an opinion or formal written advice. (Section 84113; Regulation 18329(c)(3).)

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I hope this information is helpful. If you have additional questions, please call me at (916) 322-5662.

Sincerely,

Diane M. Griffiths
General Counsel

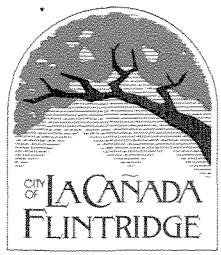
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce W. Robeck".

By: Bruce W. Robeck
Political Reform Consultant

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Mayor
J. Bixby Smith

Mayor Pro Tem
John W. Hastings

City Council
Joan C. Feehan
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Edmund J. Krause

City Manager
Donald H. Otterman

Mr. Bruce Robeck
Technical Assistance Division
Fair Political Practices Commission
Post Office Box 807
Sacramento, California
95804-0807

Dear Mr. Robeck:

I would like your assistance in providing informal advice on candidates' filing responsibilities. One of the candidates for City Council in the City of La Canada Flintridge submitted a Form 470 on March 29, 1988 to comply with the March 31, 1988 candidate's filing deadline. However, the candidate signed only his first name in the verification section. It is his contention that the form is now invalid because the signature was not complete. He also contends that because he was not notified of the deficiency in the signature within 24 hours, he should be allowed to submit a new form. My questions are: Is the form invalid. Should he be allowed to submit a new form. Should the time schedule for filing campaign reports be extended to allow him to submit a revised and/or corrected form.

I would appreciate your written advice on this matter. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Patricia Anderson
City Clerk

cc City Attorney



FORM 470
1988

CANDIDATE AND OFFICEHOLDER
CAMPAIGN STATEMENT — SHORT FORM

(Government Code Section 84206)

For use by candidates and officeholders who do not have a controlled committee* and who will not receive \$1,000 or more in contributions and will not spend \$1,000 or more during the entire calendar year.

RECEIVED
OFFICIAL USE ONLY
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Type or Print in Ink

Period Covered: Calendar Year 19 88

CITY OF
LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE

NAME OF CANDIDATE OR OFFICEHOLDER:

CHRISTOPHER VALENTE

OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE LOCATION AND DISTRICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE)

LACANADA FLINTRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: NO. AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE AREA CODE PHONE NUMBER

404 BERKSHIRE AVE. LACANADA FLINTRIDGE 91011

BUSINESS ADDRESS: NO. AND STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE AREA CODE BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER

4469 CHEVY CHASE DR. LACANADA FLINTRIDGE 91011

DATE OF ELECTION (MO., DAY, YR.) (IF APPLICABLE)

4/12/88

LIST ALL COMMITTEES OF WHICH YOU HAVE KNOWLEDGE WHICH ARE PRIMARILY FORMED TO RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS OR MAKE EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF YOUR CANDIDACY

COMMITTEE NAME AND ID NUMBER	COMMITTEE ADDRESS	NAME OF TREASURER
<u>COMMITTEE ELECT TO CHRIS VALENTE 380119</u>	<u>4442 ALTA CAÑADA RD</u>	<u>RICHARD HARRIS</u>

*Officeholders whose salary is less than \$100 per month and judges, who have a controlled committee, may use this form under certain circumstances. See the "Information Manual on Campaign Disclosure Provisions of the Political Reform Act," for further information.

VERIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that to the best of my knowledge, during the calendar year, less than \$1,000 will be received and less than \$1,000 will be expended by myself and that I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this statement.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 3/28/88 at LACANADA FLINTRIDGE
(DATE) (CITY AND STATE)

by Christopher
(SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE OR OFFICEHOLDER)

For information required to be provided to you pursuant to the Information Practices Act of 1977, see "Information Manual on Campaign Disclosure Provisions of the Political Reform Act."



March 30, 1988

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Mayor
J. Bixby Smith

Mayor Pro Tem
John W. Hastings

City Council
Joan C. Feehan
O. Warren Hillgren
Edmund J. Krause

Mr. Christopher Valente
404 Berkshire Avenue
La Canada Flintridge, California
91011

City Manager
Donald H. Otterman

Dear Mr. Valente:

I am enclosing a Form 405 Amendment to Campaign Disclosure Statement. The Form 470 you submitted on March 29, 1988 did not contain a complete signature. Please execute the amended form and return it to this office as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Patricia Anderson
City Clerk

cc Fair Political Practices Commission
City Attorney



California Fair Political Practices Commission

April 8, 1988

Patricia Anderson
City Clerk
1327 Foothill Boulevard
La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011-2137

Re: 88-135

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Your letter requesting advice under the Political Reform Act was received on April 4, 1988 by the Fair Political Practices Commission. If you have any questions about your advice request, you may contact me directly at (916) 322-5662.

We try to answer all advice requests promptly. Therefore, unless your request poses particularly complex legal questions, or more information is needed, you should expect a response within 21 working days if your request seeks formal written advice. If more information is needed, the person assigned to prepare a response to your request will contact you shortly to advise you as to the information needed. If your request is for informal assistance, we will answer it as quickly as we can. (See Commission Regulation 18329 (2 Cal. Code of Regs. Sec. 18329).)

You also should be aware that your letter and our response are public records which may be disclosed to the public upon receipt of a proper request for disclosure.

Very truly yours,

Jeanne Pritchard
Jeanne Pritchard
Chief
Technical Assistance and Analysis
Division

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