



# California Fair Political Practices Commission

June 25, 1990

Jerry D. Wood  
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Riverside, CA 92506-3145

Re: Your Request for  
Informal Assistance  
Our File No. I-90-388

Dear Mr. Wood:

You have requested confirmation of telephone advice provided to you concerning the campaign provisions of the Political Reform Act ("the Act").<sup>1</sup> Because your request is of a general nature, we are treating it as one for informal assistance.<sup>2</sup>

Your letter correctly summarizes my advice. If a contribution of \$25.00 or more is received from an individual for whom you do not have occupation and employer information, you must request the information from the contributor. If the contributor does not provide the requested information, it is not necessary to return the contribution.<sup>3</sup> If such a contribution aggregates to \$100 or more in a calendar year from a single source, an indication should be made when itemizing the contribution on the campaign statement that the information was requested but has not been received. (Davidson Advice Letter, No. I-90-96, copy enclosed.)

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Informal assistance does not provide the requestor with the immunity provided by an opinion or formal written advice. (Government Code Section 83114; 2 Cal. Code of Regs. Sections 18329(c)(3), copy enclosed.)

<sup>3</sup> In rendering this advice, we assume that the contribution will not exceed the Act's contribution limits. (See Section 85301-85303 and 85305.)

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A copy of your letter is enclosed for your convenience.

If you have additional questions, please contact me at (916)  
322-5662.

Sincerely,

Scott Hallabrin  
Acting General Counsel

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wayne P. Imberi".

By: Wayne P. Imberi  
Political Reform Consultant