



California Fair Political Practices Commission

March 4, 1992

Maria S. Stewart
Acting City Clerk
City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield Avenue
P. O. Box 715
Pasadena, CA 91109-7215

Re: Your Request for Advice
Our File No. A-92-087

Dear Ms. Stewart:

This letter is in response to your request for confirmation and confirms the telephone advice provided to you on January 19, 1992, regarding applicability of the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act")¹ to the vice mayor of the City of Pasadena.

You have stated in your request for confirmation of the telephone advice provided that in May of this year a new mayor and vice mayor will be voted in by the Pasadena City Council. Traditionally, the mayor and vice mayor seats are voted according to seniority on the city council on a rotating basis. The current vice mayor would like to hold a celebration party after the upcoming reorganization of the city council and his imminent election as the new mayor. You asked whether, under the provisions of the Act, the vice mayor could use his campaign funds to cover the expenses of this celebration.

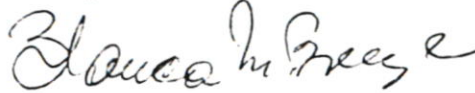
You were advised that the proposed celebration was akin to an election victory celebration or similar campaign event and thus permissible under the provisions of Section 89513(f)(2).

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.

We trust this letter adequately responds to your inquiry. Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, do not hesitate to call me at (916) 322-5901.²

Sincerely,

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Acting General Counsel



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² Copies of Commission regulations and Opinions are available in many law libraries. Alternatively, copies of these materials and Commission advice letters may be obtained from the Commission at a cost of 10¢ per page.