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FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

August 8, 1997

Ann Batman  
8 Alderwood Way  
San Rafael, CA 94901

**Re: Your Request for Assistance  
Our File No. G-97-355**

Dear Ms. Batman:

Your letter requesting advice under the Political Reform Act was received on June 27, 1997, by the Fair Political Practices Commission.

The Political Reform Act (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> requires the Commission to provide formal written advice to any person whose duties under the Act are in question or by that person's authorized representative. (Section 83114 (b).)

However, 2 Cal. Code Regulations Section 18329 (b) (8) (A) provides that written advice will be declined where the "requestor is seeking advice relating to past conduct." Consequently, we are unable to provide written advice with respect to the issues you raise in your letter. Nonetheless, we have provided you with a number of advice letters that may be of assistance to you and a copy of Regulation 18329.

If you need assistance with respect to a specific prospective situation, you should request further assistance. However, we will need specific facts regarding the situation to which the request relates.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (916) 322-5660.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas White".

Douglas White  
Graduate Assistant, Legal Division

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<sup>1</sup> Government Code Sections 81000-91015.