



## FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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**Re: Your Request for Advice  
Our File No. G-02-203**

Dear Mr. Reves:

Your request for advice was received by the Fair Political Practices Commission on August 2, 2002. As under section 81002, the role of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"<sup>1</sup>) is as follows:

**"§ 81002. Purposes of Title.**

The people enact this title to accomplish the following purposes:

(a) Receipts and expenditures in election campaigns should be fully and truthfully disclosed in order that the voters may be fully informed and improper practices may be inhibited.

(b) The activities of lobbyists should be regulated and their finances disclosed in order that improper influences will not be directed at public officials.

(c) Assets and income of public officials which may be materially affected by their official actions should be disclosed and in appropriate circumstances the officials should be disqualified from acting in order that conflicts of interest may be avoided.

(d) The state ballot pamphlet should be converted into a useful document so that voters will not be entirely dependent on paid advertising for information regarding state measures.

(e) Laws and practices unfairly favoring incumbents should be abolished in order that elections may be conducted more fairly.

(f) Adequate enforcement mechanisms should be provided to public officials and private citizens in order that this title will be vigorously enforced."

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<sup>1</sup> Government Code sections 81000 – 91014. Commission regulations appear at Title 2, sections 18109 – 18997, of the California Code of Regulations.

Thus, we would not be the agency to respond to your request.

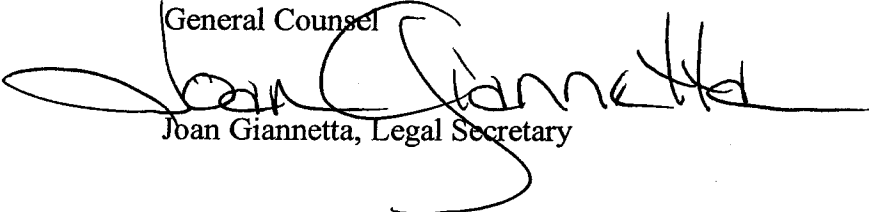
Regulation 18329(b)(8)(D) provides that the Commission may decline to provide advice where the request does not present a question under the Political Reform Act. (See also, Reg. 18329(c)(4)(F), copy enclosed.)

You might consider contacting the Office of the Secretary of State, 1500 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 with your concerns regarding the specific image you wish to reproduce on your mass mailing.

We have enclosed a candidate manual and an addendum, which generally explain the laws under our jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

Luisa Menchaca  
General Counsel



Joan Giannetta, Legal Secretary

Enclosures

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