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April 8, 1974


Mr. Robert C. Forrey  
 New Jersey Bankers Association  
 499 North Harrison Street  
 Post Office Box 573  
 Princeton, New Jersey 08540

Dear Mr. Forrey:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 19, 1974.

Please be advised that a bank would not constitute, within the meaning of Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1973, a political information organization solely by virtue of its paying dues to a trade organization which, from time to time, seeks to influence the content, introduction, passage or defeat of legislation which affects the business of those paying such dues.

Yours very truly,

  
 Edward J. Farrell, Esq.  
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March 19, 1974

Mr. Robert C. Forrey  
Executive Vice-President  
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Dear Mr. Forrey:

This will acknowledge receipt of three letters from you all under date of March 7, 1974: (1) With respect to sample copies of the statement form (2) With respect to an opinion as to whether the N.J. Bankers Association is a category (a) or category (b) organization, and (3) A request for an opinion as to whether the State Legislative Status Report is a means of "seeking to influence passage or defeat of legislation".

Please be advised that you are hereby granted an extension until 15 days after the promulgation of an opinion by the Commission as to the questions raised in your above referenced request.

I am sure you are also aware that the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, has temporarily restrained the Commission from enforcing the March 15 filing deadline for reports.

Yours very truly,

David F. Norcross  
Executive Director

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