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State of South Carolina

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Dear Mr. Patrick:

Your letter of June 30, 1982, requests the opinion of this Office on whether or not a candidate who is unopposed must file a Campaign Disclosure Form within thirty days after the primary.

This matter was heretofore considered by this Office, and an opinion written by James M. Holly, Assistant Attorney General, dated June 23, 1980, and directed to Senator Robert C. Lake, Jr., is herewith enclosed. I approved this letter at the time it was written, and I concur in those results presently.

I advise, therefore, that, in the opinion of this Office, an unopposed candidate for primary nomination who seeks or receives contributions prior to the primary must file a Disclosure Form within thirty days after the primary election.

Apparently, the reason for the promulgation of the memorandum from Representative Patrick Harris of the Legislative Ethics Committee is that the State Ethics Commission does not insist that unopposed candidates file Disclosure Forms unless funds are expended.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Gary R. Baker, Executive Director, State Ethics Commission, for his information.

Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod
Attorney General

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