



August 5, 1980

Ms. Mildred Meisner
P. O. Box 1276
Pontiac, Michigan 48056

Dear Ms. Meisner:

This is in response to your request for an interpretation of the Campaign Finance Act, 1976 PA 388, as amended ("the Act"), with respect to contributions of over \$100.00 from a checking account maintained by more than one person.

Specifically, you have requested a ruling that authorizes persons who hold a joint account to make a contribution of over \$100.00 with the contribution being prorated among the owners of the account for purposes of qualifying for matching funds pursuant to section 12(1) of the Act.

In a letter to William R. Lukens, the Department indicated that such a contribution may be prorated if both owners of the account sign the instrument representing the contributions. If the instrument is signed by only one of the owners of the account, the contributions may be prorated if a separate signed document is received from the other owner of the account. A copy of the letter to Mr. Lukens is enclosed.

This letter is informational only and is not a declaratory ruling.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Phillip T. Frangos".

Phillip T. Frangos, Director
Office of Hearings and Legislation

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