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Mr. William F. McLaughlin
Michigan Republican State Committee
223 N. Walnut
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Mr. McLaughlin:

This is in response to your request for an interpretation of the Campaign Finance Act, P.A. 388 of 1976, as amended ("the Act").

Specifically, your question is:

"What is the limitation for each election on contributions by a state committee of a political party of a candidate for the office of governor who has elected to receive public funds pursuant to sections 61 to 71 of the Act? (You ask the same question as it relates to congressional district and county committees of political parties)."

Your question was answered in the June, 1978, edition of Bulletin. Your attention is directed to page 5 of the pamphlet, a copy of which is enclosed.

The applicable contribution limits with respect to a gubernatorial candidate who has received public funds under the Act are set forth in Section 69 of the Act (MCLA § 169.269). Thus the state central political party committee may contribute a maximum of \$250,000.00, and a district or county political party committee may contribute a maximum of \$10,000.00, in the primary election to a gubernatorial candidate who has accepted public funds. In the general election, the state central political party committee may contribute \$250,000.00, and a local political party committee may contribute \$10,000.00 to the party's candidates for Governor and Lt. Governor, who are treated as one candidate for purposes of the general election.

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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