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JUDICIAL INVESTIGATION COMMISSION

Room E-400, State Capitol

Charleston 25305

November 5, 1990

Re: JIC Advisory Opinion 1990-10

Dear

The Judicial Investigation Commission of West Virginia has considered your request for an advisory opinion at its last meeting. In your request you asked for an advisory opinion concerning Canon 7 A(2) of the Judicial Code of Ethics. Specifically you asked whether the attendance at and contribution to a fund raiser or "reception" for a candidate by a judge or magistrate who is not a candidate for office would be considered an endorsement.

After considering your request the Commission has determined that attendance at such a function would not be considered an endorsement. Buying a ticket for the function if required would not be considered an endorsement. An individual could attend the function when not a candidate.

If there is any further question regarding this matter, do not hesitate to contact the Commission.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. Jack Stevens".

W. Jack Stevens, Chairman

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