D-5 NOTICE OF OBLIGATION

TO: All Candidates for Nomination, Election or Retention to Public Office and for Questions of Public Policy

This letter is to officially notify you of your filing obligation with regard to Public Act 78-1183 (An Act to Regulate Campaign Financing).

The Act requires a political committee to file a form D-1, Statement of Organization, within 10 business days of the creation of such committee, except any political committee created within the 30 days before an election must file a Statement of Organization within 5 business days. Required forms and A Guide to Campaign Disclosure are available from the Board or the County Clerk upon request. Failure to file or late filing of a Statement of Organization will result in a civil penalty being imposed by the Board.

Committees who must file generally fall within two categories: Local Political Committees and State Political Committees:

10ILCS 5/9-1.7 "Local Political Committee" means the candidate himself or any individual, trust, partnership, committee, association, corporation, or any other organization or group of persons which:

a) accepts contributions or grants or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 on behalf of or in opposition to a candidate or candidates for public office who are required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act to file statements of economic interest with the County Clerk, or on behalf of or in opposition to a candidate or candidates for election to the office of ward or township committeeman in counties of 3,000,000 or more population;

b) accepts contributions or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 in support of or in opposition to any question of public policy to be submitted to the electors of an area encompassing no more than one county;

c) accepts contributions or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 and has as its primary purpose the furtherance of governmental, political or social values, is organized on a not-for-profit basis, and which publicly endorses or publicly opposes a candidate or candidates for public office who are required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act to file statements of economic interest with the County Clerk or a candidate or candidates for the office of ward or township committeeman in counties of 3,000,000 or more population; or

d) accepts contributions or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 for electioneering communications relating to any candidate or candidates described in paragraph (a) or any question of public policy described in paragraph (b).

A Local Political Committee must file documents with both the State Board of Elections and the appropriate County Clerk.

10ILCS 5/9-1.8 "State Political Committee" means the candidate himself or any individual, trust, partnership, committee, association, corporation, or any other organization or group of persons which:

a) accepts contributions or grants or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 on behalf of or in opposition to a candidate or candidates for public office who are required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act to file statements of economic interest with the Secretary of State;

b) accepts contributions or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 in support of or in opposition to any question of public policy to be submitted to the electors of an area encompassing more than one county; or

c) accepts contributions or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 and has as its primary purpose the furtherance of governmental, political or social values, is organized on a not-for-profit basis, and which publicly endorses or publicly opposes a candidate or candidates for public office who are required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act to file statements of economic interest with the Secretary of State; or

d) accepts contributions or makes expenditures during any 12-month period in an aggregate amount exceeding $3,000 for electioneering communications relating to any candidate or candidates described in paragraph (a) or any question of public policy described in paragraph (b).

A State Political Committee must file documents with the State Board of Elections.