

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING  
OF THE  
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2000

PRESENT: Darryl R. Wold, Chairman, Presiding  
Danny L. McDonald, Vice Chairman  
David M. Mason, Commissioner  
Karl J. Sandstrom, Commissioner  
Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner  
Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner  
James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director  
Lawrence M. Noble, General Counsel  
Mary W. Dove, Acting Secretary

Chairman Darryl R. Wold called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 7, 2000, with a quorum present.

I. ADVISORY OPINIONS

A. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-34

SAPPI Fine Paper North America/  
S.D. Warren Company by counsel,  
Brett G. Kappel

Agenda Document No. 00-117  
Superseded by Agenda Document  
No. 00-119

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Document No. 00-119.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

I. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

A. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-34  
(continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. Michael Marinelli of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2000-34 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), and Commission regulations to selection of a name for SAPPI Fine Paper North America/S.D. Warren Company Political Action Committee.

During his presentation, Mr. Marinelli noted the following amendments:

- a. Page 3, Line 9: Delete the word "Services."
- b. Page 3, Line 14: Delete the word "Services."
- c. Footnote 2, Line 6: Delete the word "connected" and substitute the word "contacted" in lieu thereof.
- d. Footnote 2, Line 7: Insert the word "by" after the word "owned."

I. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

A. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-34  
(continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman  
McDonald, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory  
Opinion 2000-34, as submitted in  
Agenda Document No. 00-119, subject  
to the amendments as noted above.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

B. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-37

U.S. Representative Tom Udall

Agenda Document No. 00-116

Chairman Wold recognized Jonathan Levin of  
the General Counsel's Office who presented draft  
Advisory Opinion 2000-37 concerning the application of  
the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended  
("the Act"), and Commission regulations to the use of  
campaign funds to purchase and present replica medals  
for award to veterans of United States Armed Forces  
who participated in the Normandy landing in Europe on  
June 6, 1944.

I. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

B. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-37  
(continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman  
McDonald, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory  
Opinion 2000-37, as submitted in  
Agenda Document No. 00-116, subject  
to the following amendments:

1. Footnote 1, Line 2: insert  
a comma after the word  
"landing"; and insert the  
word "it" before the word  
"began."
2. Page 4, Line 12: Delete  
the word "intrinsic" and  
substitute the word  
"monetary" in lieu thereof.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no administrative matters to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

Signed:

Darryl R. Wold  
Chairman

Attest:

Mary W. Dove  
Acting Secretary