



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

MEMORANDUM

TO: Rosemary C. Smith
Associate General Counsel *MCS*

FROM: Office of the Commission Secretary

DATE: March 19, 2004

SUBJECT: *Ex Parte* Communication regarding the
Rulemaking on Political Committees

Attached is a memorandum from Commissioner McDonald regarding the above-captioned matter.

cc: Commissioners
Staff Director
General Counsel
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mary Dove
Office of the Commission Secretary

FROM: Danny L. McDonald
Commissioner

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RE: Ex Parte Communication

DATE: March 19, 2004

On Tuesday, March 15, 2004, I received a call from Governor Bill Richardson. Gov. Richardson called regarding the upcoming NPRM on political committees. He asked several procedural questions and I offered to send information to the Governor, but also informed him it was available on the FEC website. Gov. Richardson declined, saying he would go the website on his own. The Governor then expressed concern about the political committee rulemaking, indicating he hoped the Commission would not do anything that would become effective during the height of this election cycle. I informed him I would be memorializing the substance of the telephone conversation for inclusion as part of the public record for this rulemaking.