D. Campaign Financing

5. Case Number 89063.A

A report alleged that a partnership had a City contract, yet contributed a sum to a campaign. Such a contribution would violate the limitation of Section 26.3-4 of the Campaign Financing Ordinance (CFO). This report as well as others concerning contributions from other partnership raises the question of the treatment of contributions from partnerships and partners under the CFO. The Board considered proposals for treatment of contributions by partnerships by partners, and by partners out of personal assets. After considerable deliberation, the Board APPROVED 5-0 the following interpretation: If the partnership, which has a City contract, makes a contribution of $1,500 in the name of the partnership, the partners of the partnership may also, from their own personal assets, contribute $1,500.