

(Regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission, Title 2, Division 6, California Code of Regulations)

§ 18438.6. Solicitation, Direction, and Receipt of Contributions Under Government Code Section 84308.

(a) A person “makes” and an officer “accepts” or “receives” a contribution only if the contribution is for the officer's campaign or controlled committee, including, but not limited to:

- (1) Campaign committees, including for election to state or county central committees;
- (2) Ballot measure committees;
- (3) Legal defense funds;
- (4) Officeholder Controlled Committees formed pursuant to Section 85316(b) and

Regulation 18531.62; and

- (5) Recall committees.

(b) An officer “solicits” a contribution only if the officer knows or has reason to know that the person being solicited for a contribution is a party or agent of a party, or is a participant or agent of a participant, and:

(1) The officer requests a contribution for any campaign or committee, including those not controlled by the officer;

(2) The agent of the officer, with the officer's knowledge, requests a contribution for the officer's campaign or controlled committee; or

(3) The agent of the officer, at the direction of the officer, requests a contribution for any other campaign or committee.

(c) An officer “directs” a contribution only if the officer solicits a person for a contribution to a campaign or committee and:

(1) The officer knows or has reason to know the person is a party, participant, or agent of a party or participant; and

(2) The person makes the contribution to the campaign or committee.

(d) Notwithstanding subdivisions (b) and (c), an officer does not solicit or direct a contribution by making a request in a mass mailing sent to members of the public, to a public gathering, or published in a newspaper, on radio or TV, or in any other mass media.

An officer does not “solicit” or “direct” a contribution solely because the officer's name is printed with other names on stationery or a letterhead used to request contributions.

Note: Authority cited: Section 83112, Government Code. Reference: Section 84308, Government Code.

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