

ROPES & GRAY
ONE FRANKLIN SQUARE
1301 K STREET, N.W.
SUITE 800 EAST

ONE INTERNATIONAL PLACE
BOSTON, MA 02110-2624
(617) 951-7000
FAX (617) 951-7050

WASHINGTON, DC 20005-3333

(202) 626-3900

FAX: (202) 626-3961

WRITER'S DIRECT DIAL NUMBER (202) 626-3991

30 KENNEDY PLAZA
PROVIDENCE, RI 02903-2328
(401) 455-4400
FAX (401) 455-4401

June 22, 2000

Ms. Alva E. Smith
Office of the General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E. Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

RECEIVED
FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
COUNSEL

JUN 22 4 51 PM '00

Re: MUR 5020
Request for Extension of Time to Respond to Complaint

Dear Ms. Smith:

Showboat Atlantic City, Inc., Harrah's Atlantic City, Inc., and Mr. Herbert Wolfe request an extension of time to respond to the complaint filed against them until, and including July 20, 2000. A response currently is due on June 30, 2000.

Additional time is needed in which to investigate the facts alleged in the complaint. We currently represent the three respondents named above. In the event that a proper complaint naming David Jonas is filed with the Commission, we also will represent him in this matter. Given the number of respondents named and the number allegations made, additional time is necessary for the preparation of a thorough response.


Furthermore, the respondents believe that an extension until July 20, 2000 would in no way prejudice the complainant or the government.

ROPES & GRAY

Ms. Alva E. Smith
June 22, 2000
Page 2

Therefore, an extension is requested until, and including
July 20, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,


Ashley N. Bailey, Esq.
Ropes & Gray
One Franklin Square
1301 K Street, N.W.
Suite 800 East
Washington, D.C. 20005-3333