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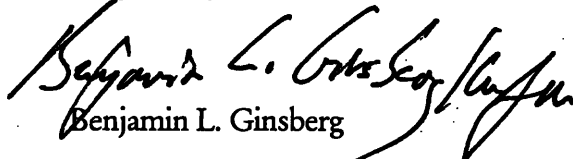
Re: MUR 5159: Bush-Cheney 2000, Inc.
And David Herndon, as Treasurer

Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are in receipt of the complaint in this matter. It does not allege a violation of the Federal Election Act or the Federal Election Commission's Regulations by either the Governor George W. Bush for President Committee, Inc. or Bush-Cheney 2000 Committee, Inc.

In fact, 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.7(b)(16) and 100.8(b)(17) permit the activity complained about here as it pertains to Governor Bush's campaigns.

Respectfully submitted,


Benjamin L. Ginsberg

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

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The above-named individual is hereby designated as my counsel
and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications
from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

12/18/00
Date
SignatureRESPONDENT'S NAME: James R. GrahamADDRESS: Assistant TreasurerBush-Cheney 2000, Inc.P.O. Box 1902, Austin, TX 78767TELEPHONE: HOME() BUSINESS(512) 637-2000