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Ms. Elena Ruth Sassower
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Dear Ms. Sassower:

Per your request, I am enclosing a biography of Richard Rifkin and a copy of the Freedom of Information Law.

In response to your question about our inquiry into your complaint, the law provides that Commission proceedings are confidential if it is determined that there is no violation of law. The Commission so found with respect to your complaint.

Finally, the political affiliations of Commissioners and State employees such as our executive director are generally not available. However, since no more than two of the three Ethics Commission members appointed by the Governor without prior nomination can be from the same political party, records are kept of these appointees. They are Joseph Bress, Democrat; Angelo Costanza, Democrat; and Donald Odell, Republican.

Sincerely,

Walter Ayres
Director of Communications