

**DE 76-06**

**Judicial Endorsements  
Chapter 105, Florida Statutes**

*To: Emily W. Lawyer, Esquire, Attorney at Law, Post Office Box 3239, Tampa, Florida 33601*

*Prepared by: Division of Elections*

By letter of July 14, 1976, you inquire whether you, in your capacity as a campaign treasurer for a candidate for the office of county court judge, might circularize a letter endorsing said candidacy and requesting both moral and financial support. You note that Section 105.07(11), Florida Statutes, prohibits candidates for judicial office to agree to pay all or any part of an advertisement sponsored by any person, group, or organization endorsing the said candidate.

In order to comply with the intent of Chapter 105, Florida Statutes, in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Florida Election Code, but without opining upon the requirements or prohibitions of the Canons of Judicial Ethics, this office would recommend that the endorsement which you contemplate be on a campaign letterhead, sent by you as treasurer for the judicial candidate, and be paid for by the campaign fund.