Minutes of a Meeting of the Betting Commission Washington, D.C.
September 18, 1984

Present: Commissioners Moore, Rehnquist, and Stewart

The meeting was convened at approximately 12:30 p.m. by the genial host, Commissioner Moore. Various problems within the jurisdiction of the Commission were discussed, and staff recommendations as to the handling of the forthcoming general election on November 6th were considered. The following staff recommendations were adopted:

- (1) Each commissioner will submit to the others, post-marked or delivered not later than midnight November 5th, a list of the 50 states, with appropriate notations indicating which states will be carried by the Democratic candidate and which by the Republican. In accordance with past practice, with respect to each state as to which there is disagreement among the Commissioners, there will be a wager, with each Commissioner putting up \$5.00. The Commissioner or Commissioners whose submissions reflect the correct result will receive, or share (as the case may be) the amount wagered.
- (2) Each Commissioner will submit an entry, under the terms and conditions provided in paragraph (1), indicating the net gain or loss for the Republican party in the House of Representatives. There will be a wager of \$10.00 by each Commissioner as to this result, and the Commissioner whose proposed figure is numerically closest to the actual result will receive the proceeds of the wager.
- (3) A similar wager will be made with respect to the net Republican gain or loss in the United States Senate.
- (4) Appropriate supplemental wagers may be proposed by any Commissioner prior to midnight November 5th. The Commissioners were reminded by the staff of the famous "three I" wager between Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Rehnquist in 1976, and that Commissioners were urged to propose similar innovative wagers this year.

Before adjournment, it was suggested that those Commissioners present contact Commissioner Revercomb in order to resume the periodic men's bridge game. It was agreed, subject to confirmation by Commissioner Revercomb, that the bridge game

would be held on Thursday, October 11th, at 7:00 p.m., at a residence to be designated.

Respectfully submitted

William H. Rehnquist

Secretary