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Subject: proposed rule change

To: Ms. Mai T. Dinh, Acting General Counsel

Please see attached comments.

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Ms. Mai T. Tinh
Acting Assistant General Counsel
FEC

Dear Ms. Tinh:

I was very distressed to learn that the FEC has recently proposed rules that could adversely impact non-profit organizations if they express criticisms of Bush administration and candidates running for federal office. The rule changes would hamper the ability of non-profit groups to raise and spend funds in the service of their mission or to engage to in meaningful conversations about public policy by transforming them into political committees, if their publications and communications are construed by regulators to influence the election of any federal candidate.

What is happening to our democracy? What is happening to our first amendment freedom of speech? Nothing in the McCain-Feingold campaign reform law or the Supreme Court's decision to uphold it provides any basis for the proposed FEC rules. The FEC rules should be withdrawn.

Sincerely,

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