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FEC RELEASES FOUR INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on four matters it has had under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including the FEC's legal analysis of the MUR. Please see footnote at the end of this release. Summary files of the closed cases are available in the Office of Public Records. They are as follows:

MUR NO.

1. 2288

RESPONDENTS: (a) Utah Republican Party (Federal Account/Non-Federal Account), Michael L. Jones, treasurer (UT);
(b) Shimizu for Congress Committee, K. Helen Oniki, treasurer (UT);
(c) Republican National Committee, William J. McManus, treasurer (DC)

COMPLAINANT: M. Kay Christensen (UT)

SUBJECT: Prohibited expenditures from non-federal account; excessive contributions and coordinated party expenditures; failure to disclose contributions and expenditures; disclaimer

DISPOSITION: (a) Conciliation agreement: \$10,000 civil penalty*
(b) Conciliation agreement: \$175 civil penalty*
(c) No reason to believe*

2. 2548

RESPONDENTS: Illinois Democratic Party (Federal Account/Non-Federal Account), Joseph Griffin, treasurer (IL)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Payment of coordinated party expenditures with funds from non-federal account

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$4,000 civil penalty*

3. 2657

RESPONDENTS: New York State Laborers Political Action Committee, Frank Lupo, treasurer (NY)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Acceptance of unidentified funds from labor union; improper deposit of funds; failure to register on time

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$3,800 civil penalty*

4. 3012

RESPONDENTS: Dorsey Political Fund, Douglas D. Donovan, treasurer (MN)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$1,500 civil penalty*

*Following a complaint, the FEC may make a "reason to believe" finding which may trigger an investigation. Subsequently, the FEC may find "probable cause to believe" violation(s) occurred. An affirmative vote of at least four Commissioners is required for any action. At this stage the conciliation process could begin. If conciliation fails the FEC may institute a civil action for relief. The Commission may close a case at any point. For a complete explanation of the enforcement process - contact the FEC Press Office.

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