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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 Public Records Office. They are as follows:

MUR NO.

1. 2071

RESPONDENTS: (a) Congressman Robin M. Tallon, Jr. (SC);
(b) Tallon for Congress Committee, Lamar J. Rabon, treasurer (SC);
(c) Gary H. Slavens (SC);
(d) Vicki Slavens (SC);
(e) G.B. Stokes (SC);
(f) Joe W. Pearce, Jr. (SC);
(g) Ed Saleeby (SC);
(h) David Keller (SC);
(i) C. Edward Floyd (SC);
(j) Conyers O'Bryan (SC);
(k) Robin's of Florence, Inc. (SC);
(l) LeMasters, Inc. (SC);
(m) Jane Harris (SC);
(n) Jerry Harris (SC);
(o) Lynn A. Hartnett (SC);
(p) Mark Lawson (SC);
(q) Roland Minshew (SC);
(r) Robert (Bobby) Welch (SC)

COMPLAINANT: Referral by Craig C. Donsanto, Director, Election Crimes Branch, U.S. Department of Justice (DC)

SUBJECT: Contributions in the names of others; excessive cash contributions; failure to forward contribution to treasurer; commingling of funds; corporate contributions

DISPOSITION: (a)-(b) No probable cause to believe*
(c) Conciliation agreement: \$100 civil penalty*
(d) Conciliation agreement: \$250 civil penalty*
(e)-(g) No probable cause to believe*
(h)-(j) No reason to believe*
(k) Conciliation agreement: \$1,250 civil penalty*
(l) No probable cause to believe*
(m) Conciliation agreement: \$125 civil penalty*
(n) Conciliation agreement: \$125 civil penalty*
(o) Conciliation agreement: \$250 civil penalty*
(p) U.S. District Court Default Judgement: \$5,000 civil penalty (Settlement for \$3,500)
(q) Conciliation agreement: \$250 civil penalty*
(r) Conciliation agreement: \$500 civil penalty*

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2. 2774/2773/2755

RESPONDENTS: (a) Ronald Crutcher (OH);
(b) Delbera Crutcher (OH);
(c) Crutcher for Congress (OH);
(d) Financial Counseling, Inc., and
Arvin M. Vaughan (OH);
(e) Dayton Lubrication, Inc., and Bill Johnson (MD)

COMPLAINANT: Referral by Craig C. Donsanto, Director, Election Crimes
Branch, U.S. Department of Justice (DC) [2773]; Richard
J. Vara (OH) [2773]; Alex P. Ugolini, Jr. (OH) [2774];
Donna Van Pelt (OH) [2755]

SUBJECT: Failure to disclose bank accounts on Statement of
Organization; corporate contributions; personal use of
campaign funds; commingling of campaign funds

DISPOSITION: (a) No probable cause to believe*
(b) No probable cause to believe*
(c) (1) Probable cause to believe but take no
further action [re: disclosure of bank
accounts]*
(2) No probable cause to believe [re: other
allegations]
(d) No reason to believe*
(e) No probable cause to believe*

3. 3114

RESPONDENTS: (a) Previdi for Congress, Paul Hiromura, treasurer (NY);
(b) Robert Previdi (NY)

COMPLAINANT: Richard Bates, Executive Director, Democratic
Congressional Campaign Committee (DC)

SUBJECT: Failure to disclose complete contributor information

DISPOSITION: (a) No probable cause to believe*
(b) No reason to believe*

4. 3240

RESPONDENTS: (a) Equitable Financial Services Political Action
Committee, George A. Williams, treasurer (NY);
(b) Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, Inc. - Better
Government Fund, Anthony F. Daddino, treasurer (NY)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Excessive contributions by affiliated committees,
failure to amend Statement of Organization

DISPOSITION: (a) Conciliation agreement: \$1,500 civil penalty*
(b) Conciliation agreement: \$750 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 in federal court. 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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