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FEC RELEASES TWO COMPLIANCE CASES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on two matters previously 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 case. (Please see footnote at the end of this release.) Closed MUR files are available in the Public Records Office. They are as follows:

MUR NO.

1. MUR 3781/PRE-MUR 273

RESPONDENTS: (a) University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences of Des Moines, Iowa (IA)
(b) Dr. J. Leonard Azneer (IA)
COMPLAINANT: Sua sponte
SUBJECT: Corporate contributions; contributions in the name of another.
DISPOSITION: (a) Conciliation Agreement: \$19,000 civil penalty*
(b) Conciliation Agreement: \$16,000 civil penalty*

2. MUR 3803/PRE-MUR 268

RESPONDENTS: Ferraro for U.S. Senate, Charles N. Atkins, treasurer (NY)
COMPLAINANT: Sua sponte
SUBJECT: Excessive contributions; failure to obtain and report redesignations/reattributions.
DISPOSITION: Conciliation Agreement: \$900 civil penalty*

*There are four administrative stages to the FEC enforcement process:

1. Receipt of proper complaint
 2. "Reason to believe" stage
 3. "Probable cause" stage
 4. Conciliation stage
- It takes the votes of at least four of the six Commissioners to take any action. The FEC can close a case at any point after reviewing a complaint. If a violation is found and conciliation cannot be reached, then the FEC can institute a civil court action against a respondent.

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