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## FEC RELEASES FIVE COMPLIANCE CASES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on five 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 3102

**RESPONDENTS:** (a) AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP/District of Columbia) (DC)  
(b) AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP/San Francisco) (CA)  
(c) Dallas Gay Alliance (TX)  
(d) Tarrant County Gay Alliance (TX)  
(e) Nancy Solomon (CA)  
(f) Michael Petrelis (DC)  
(g) Dallas Tavern Guild (TX)  
(h) Human Rights Campaign Fund (DC)

**COMPLAINANT:** Conservative Campaign Fund, Peter T. Flaherty, Chairman (DC)

**SUBJECT:** Failure to register and report, failure to report independent expenditures, disclaimer, corporate expenditures

**DISPOSITION:** (a-b) Reason to believe, but took no further action [re: failure to register and report, failure to report independent expenditures, disclaimer]\*  
(c-d) Reason to believe, but took no further action [re: corporate expenditures]\*  
(e-f) Took no action\*  
(g) Reason to believe, but took no further action [re: failure to report independent expenditures]\*  
(h) No reason to believe [re: corporate expenditures]\*

#### 2. MUR 3204/3087/PRE-MUR 263

**RESPONDENTS:** (a) National Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, Sonya M. Vasquez, treasurer (DC)  
(b) Republican National Committee, William J. McManus, treasurer (DC)  
(c) Montana Republican State Central Committee, Shirley J. Warehime, treasurer (MT)  
(d) Conrad Burns/US Senate, Jim Swain, treasurer (MT)

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(e) Fry Lawrence Company (CA)  
 (f) Colorado Republican Federal Campaign Committee, Douglas L. Jones, treasurer (CO)  
 (g) Bush-Quayle '88, J. Stanley Huckaby, treasurer (VA)  
 (h) Friends of Jim Fenlason for Congress (MT)  
 (i) Montanans for Marlenee, Douglas N. Wilson, III, treasurer (MT)

**COMPLAINANTS:** (a) Common Cause, Roger M. Witten, Counsel (DC) (3204)  
 (b) Kelly Addy, Speaker Pro Tempore of the Montana House of Representatives (MT) (3087)  
 (c) Dolores Colburg, Montana Commissioner of Political Practices (PRE-MUR 263)

**SUBJECT:** Excessive contributions, corporate contributions, excessive coordinated expenditures, failure to adequately disclose receipts and disbursements, disclaimer, failure to file reports with state election office

**DISPOSITION:** (a) Reason to believe but failed to pass motion of probable cause [re: excessive contributions, excessive coordinated expenditures, failure to adequately disclose receipts and disbursements, failure to file reports with the state election office.]\*  
 (b) Reason to believe but failed to pass motion of probable cause [re: excessive contributions, failure to adequately disclose receipts and disbursements]\*  
 (c) Reason to believe but failed to pass motion of probable cause [re: excessive contributions, excessive coordinated expenditures, disclaimer, failure to adequately disclose receipts and disbursements]\*  
 (d) Reason to believe but failed to pass motion of probable cause [re: excessive contributions, failure to disclose contributions]\*  
 (e-h) No reason to believe [re: any provision of FECA]\*

3. MUR 3834

**RESPONDENTS:** Hirschfeld for Congress Citizens Committee, Rosemary Singer, treasurer (NY)  
**COMPLAINANT:** FEC Initiated (RAD)  
**SUBJECT:** Failure to file 48-hour reports (5 candidate contributions totalling \$310,000)  
**DISPOSITION:** Conciliation Agreement: \$20,000 civil penalty\*

4. MUR 3839

**RESPONDENTS:** Friends of Newt Gingrich - 1992, Briggs Goggans, treasurer (GA)  
**COMPLAINANT:** FEC Initiated (RAD)  
**SUBJECT:** Failure to file 48-hour reports  
**DISPOSITION:** Conciliation Agreement: \$3,800 civil penalty\*

5. MUR 3999

**RESPONDENTS:** IMPACT, Joseph Turek, treasurer (IL)  
**COMPLAINANT:** FEC Initiated (RAD)  
**SUBJECT:** Excessive contributions  
**DISPOSITION:** Conciliation Agreement: \$2,500 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.