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FEC RELEASES THREE COMPLIANCE CASES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on three 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.

1. **MUR 3951**

RESPONDENTS:	(a) Edward Carl Harrison (TX) (b) Friends of Ed Harrison, Paul Johnson, treasurer (TX) (c) E.C. Harrison Properties, Inc. (TX)
COMPLAINANT:	Kenneth H. Molberg (TX)
SUBJECT:	Corporate contributions; incorrect reporting of loans
DISPOSITION:	(a-c) Conciliation Agreement: $20,000 civil penalty*

2. **MUR 4533**

RESPONDENTS:	Michela Alioto for Congress and its treasurer (CA)
COMPLAINANT:	FEC Inititated (RAD)
SUBJECT:	Failure to file 48-hour report (candidate loan totalling $40,000)
DISPOSITION:	Conciliation Agreement: $6,000 civil penalty*

3. **MUR 3637**

RESPONDENTS:	Kentucky State Democratic Central Executive Committee; Clay Patrick, treasurer (KY)
COMPLAINANTS:	Robert E. Gable, Chairman, Republican Party of Kentucky (KY) FEC Initiated (RAD)
SUBJECT:	Failure to pay allocable expenses from federal accounts; use of non-federal funds for joint activity; failure to transfer non-federal funds within the specified time period; acceptance and use of impermissible funds; incorrect reporting of disbursements for joint activity; reporting fictitious transfers of funds from non-federal accounts to federal account; failure to reconcile cash on hand discrepancy; failure to amend Statement of Organization timely; failure to have signature of designated treasurer on all reports
DISPOSITION:	Conciliation Agreement: $75,000 civil penalty* Respondents to refund impermissible funds and untimely transfers.

*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 requires 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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