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Weekly Digest Week of September 22 – 26

COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

No Commission open meetings or executive sessions were scheduled this week.

ENFORCEMENT

The Commission made public one closed case, as follows. For more information, see the case documents in the [Enforcement Query System](#).

[MUR 6767](#)

COMPLAINANT: FEC-Initiated

RESPONDENTS: Central Valley Independent PAC and Ross Allen, in his official capacity as treasurer

SUBJECT: In the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, the Commission initiated proceedings to determine whether there was reason to believe that Central Valley Independent PAC and Allen, in his official capacity as treasurer, (the Committee), failed to file in a timely manner a 24-hour report disclosing \$166,391 in independent expenditures.

DISPOSITION: The Commission entered into a conciliation agreement providing for the Committee to pay a civil penalty of \$4,800.

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The Commission made public one campaign finance enforcement matter that was resolved through its Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) program, as follows. For more information, see the case documents in the [Enforcement Query System](#).

[ADR 709](#) – Nevada State Democratic Party and Jan Churchill, in her official capacity as treasurer. The respondent agreed to (1) certify that a representative participated in an FEC conference, (2) develop and certify the distribution of procedures to identify and report debts and obligations and (3) pay a civil penalty of \$3,800.

LITIGATION

[*Independence Institute v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-01500-CKK). On September 19, the Commission filed its [Memorandum of Law in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary Injunction](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. On September 22, the Campaign Legal Center, Democracy 21 and Public Citizen, Inc. filed a [Brief Amici Curiae in Support of the Commission and in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary Injunction](#).

[*Parsons, et al. v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-01265). On September 23, the Commission filed an [Unopposed Motion to Dismiss](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. On September 23, the Court ordered the case dismissed without prejudice for lack of standing.

[*Public Citizen, et al. v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-00148-RJL). On September 19, the Center for Competitive Politics filed a [Brief of Amicus Curiae in Support of the Commission](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

[*Rufer, et al. v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-00837-CRC). On September 22, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued an [Order on Plaintiffs' Motion for Partial Reconsideration and Clarification of Denial of Motion for Three-Judge Panel](#).

[*Rufer, et al. v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-00837-CRC) and [*Republican National Committee, et al. v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-00853-CRC). On September 22, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued a [Certification Order](#), certifying the constitutional questions and findings of fact to the en banc United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

[*Stop Reckless Economic Instability caused by Democrats, et al. v. FEC*](#) (Case 1:14-cv-00397-AJT-IDD). On September 19, the Commission filed its [Motion for Summary Judgment](#) and plaintiffs filed their [Motion for Summary Judgment](#) in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

[*Wagner v. FEC*](#) (Case 12-5162). Oral argument is scheduled for September 30 in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

RULEMAKING AND AGENCY OPERATIONS

[*Petition for Rulemaking from The National Convention PBC*](#). On September 25, the Commission made public a petition for rulemaking from the National Convention PBC and approved for publication in the Federal Register a Notice of Availability for the Rulemaking Petition. The petition requests that the Commission conduct a rulemaking proceeding to revise its regulations to include delegates to a constitutional convention within the definition of "federal office."

OUTREACH

September 22 – 26, Mexico City, Mexico. Deputy Press Officer Christian Hilland attended the Seventh Inter-American Electoral Training Seminar. The seminar focused on "Accessibility and Electoral Participation."

September 24 -25, Chairman Lee E. Goodman visited Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania as part of its 2014-2015 Ernest Lefever Visiting Fellow program. Chairman Goodman visited classes, met with students and delivered a public lecture on the role and responsibilities of the FEC, as well as the importance of the First Amendment in guiding the agency's work.

UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS

October 7: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [executive session](#).

October 9: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [open meeting](#).

Meeting dates are subject to change. Please contact the Press Office the week of the scheduled meeting for confirmation.

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

October 1, 2014, Federal Election Commission, Washington, DC. *Webinar on October Quarterly Reporting for Candidate Committees*. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

October 1, 2014, Federal Election Commission, Washington, DC. *Webinar on FEC Filing for Candidate Committees*. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

October 8, 2014, Federal Election Commission, Washington, DC. *Webinar and In-Person Workshop on October Reporting for PACs and Party Committees*. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

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UPCOMING REPORTING DUE DATES

October 15: Quarterly Reports are due. For information on quarterly reporting dates, refer to the [2014 Quarterly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

October 20: October Monthly Reports are due. For more information on monthly reporting dates, refer to the [2014 Monthly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

OTHER RESOURCES

The [2014 edition of the Combined Federal State Disclosure and Election Directory](#) is available in the [Public Records](#) section of the Commission website. This publication identifies the federal and state agencies responsible for the disclosure of campaign finances, lobbying, personal finances,

public financing, candidates on the ballot, election results, spending on state initiatives and other financial filings.

The 2014 edition of [Title 11 of the Code of Federal Regulations](#) can be downloaded from the website. To order printed copies, call (800) 424-9530 (press 6) or send an email to info@fec.gov.

The [2013 Legislative Recommendations](#) are available on the Commission's website.

The 2014 edition of the [Federal Election Commission Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates and Committees](#) is now available on the Commission's website.

The August 2013 edition of the [Federal Election Commission Campaign Guide for Political Party Committees](#) is available on the Commission's website.

The [Official 2012 Presidential General Election Results](#) are available in the [Library](#) section of the website. This listing was compiled from the official election results published by state election offices.

An [index](#) to Record news articles published is available on the Commission website. The [Record](#) news page is available in the [Publications](#) section of the Commission website. [Sign up](#) to receive email notification when new articles are posted.

The [FEC Annual Reports from 1975-2006](#) are now available on the website. Beginning in 2007, the Commission consolidated its Annual Report with its [Performance and Accountability Report \(PAR\)](#) to provide a single account of the agency's activities for each fiscal year.

[Instructional videos](#) are available on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/user/FECTube?feature=watch>. These videos are also available on the Commission's E-Learning resources page at <http://www.fec.gov/info/elearning.shtml>.

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