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## **Weekly Digest** **Week of August 31 – September 4**

### **COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS**

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

### **ADVISORY OPINIONS**

#### Comment Received

[AOR 2015-08 \(Repledge\)](#). On September 3, the Commission received a [comment](#) on Advisory Opinion Request 2015-08. Repledge proposes to establish a web-based platform that allows supporters of opposing Federal candidates to redirect potential contributions to charitable organizations. Repledge asks a number of questions relating to its proposal, including whether it will receive contributions and violate the prohibition on corporate contributions to candidates. The Commission must issue a response no later than 60 days after receipt of the complete request, specifically by October 19, 2015.

### **ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

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

[ADR 768](#) – VOTE 2 REDUCE DEBT (V2RD) and Kenneth W. Davis Jr., in his official capacity as treasurer. The respondent agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$3,750.

[ADR 770](#) – US Chamber of Commerce. The respondent agreed to (1) certify that a representative of the Committee participated in an FEC conference, webinar, or other program developed in consultation with the FEC's Information Division, and (2) pay a civil penalty of \$2,500.

### **LITIGATION**

[CREW v. FEC](#) (Case 1:14-cv-01419-CRC). On August 27, the Commission filed its [Answer](#) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

## **OUTREACH**

On September 3-5, Chair Ann M. Ravel was a speaker on two panels during the Global Conference on Money in Politics in Mexico City, Mexico. The conference was sponsored by the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance and the Electoral Tribunal of the Federal Judiciary of Mexico.

## **UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HEARINGS**

September 15: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [executive session](#).

September 17: The Commission is scheduled to hold an [executive session](#) and 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**

September 30: FECFile Webinar for Candidates. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

October 20-21, San Diego, CA, Regional Conference for House & Senate Campaigns, Political Party Committees and Corporate/Trade/Labor PACs. Additional information is available on the [Educational Outreach](#) page of the Commission website.

## **UPCOMING REPORTING DUE DATES**

September 20: September Monthly Reports are due. For more information on monthly reporting dates, refer to the [2015 Monthly Reporting page](#) of the Commission website.

## **OTHER RESOURCES**

The [2015 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 2015 edition of the Federal Election Campaign Finance Laws is available on the Commission [website](#) and [in print](#). The compilation contains all federal campaign finance laws (including a conversion table showing the recent changes from Title 2 U.S.C. to Title 52 U.S.C.). To order a copy at no charge, contact the Commission's Information Division at (800) 424-9530 (press 6, when prompted) or email [info@fec.gov](mailto:info@fec.gov).

The 2015 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](mailto:info@fec.gov).

The [2014 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 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.

The Commission has published the [2015 Record Index](#) page. An [index](#) to previously published Record news articles 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 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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