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District Court Issues Opinion in *FEC v. O'Donnell*

WASHINGTON – The U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware has issued a [Memorandum Opinion](#) and [Order](#) in [FEC v. O'Donnell](#) (Case 15-cv-00017-LPS). The Court yesterday granted the FEC's motion to dismiss defendants' counterclaims, ruled in the FEC's favor on summary judgment as to liability, and denied without prejudice the parties' summary judgment motions with respect to remedy.

The FEC alleged that the defendants impermissibly converted at least \$20,000 in campaign funds to the personal use of Christine O'Donnell.

The Court ordered the FEC and the defendants to submit a joint status report on how the case should proceed by September 28, 2016.

The Federal Election Commission (FEC) is an independent regulatory agency that administers and enforces federal campaign finance laws. The FEC has jurisdiction over the financing of campaigns for the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, the Presidency and the Vice Presidency. Established in 1975, the FEC is composed of six Commissioners who are nominated by the President and confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

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