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## **District Court Issues Opinion in *Republican Party of Louisiana, et al. v. FEC***

WASHINGTON – A three-judge court of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued a [Memorandum Opinion](#) yesterday in [Republican Party of Louisiana, et al. v. FEC](#) (Case 1:15-cv-01241-CRC-SS-TSC), granting summary judgment to the Commission on all claims. The plaintiffs had challenged the constitutionality of the Federal Election Campaign Act’s regulation of the use of contributions of so-called soft money—funds raised and/or spent outside the limitations and prohibitions of the Act—by state and local parties for federal election activity, as well as related reporting requirements.

*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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