



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
Washington DC 20463

THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF ADMINISTRATIVE FINE CASE # 1404

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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June 22, 2005

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MEMORANDUM

TO: THE COMMISSION

THROUGH: JAMES A. PEHRKON *JAP*  
STAFF DIRECTOR

ROBERT J. COSTA *RC*  
DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM: JOHN D. GIBSON *JDG*  
ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR  
REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

SUBJECT: REASON TO BELIEVE RECOMMENDATION - 2005 APRIL  
QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE  
FINES PROGRAM

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file, or failed to timely file, the 2005 April Quarterly Report in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 434(a). On March 21, 2005, Prior Notice was sent to the political committees and their treasurers, informing them that the April Quarterly Report was due on April 15, 2005. The report should have covered the period ending on March 31, 2005.

The committees listed in the attached RTB Circulation Report either failed to file the report or filed the report more than five (5) days after the due date. In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties located within 11 CFR §111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties highlighted on the report attached.

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**Recommendation**

- (1) Find reason to believe that the political committees and their treasurers listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalties would be the amounts indicated on the RTB Circulation Report.
- (2) Send the appropriate mailgrams.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION 2005-2006  
Reason to Believe Circulation Report  
2005 APRIL QUARTERLY

AF #	COMMITTEE NAME	STATE	CANDIDATE NAME	PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS	CIVIL MONEY PENALTY
COMMITTEE ID	TREASURER	THRESHOLD AMOUNT	SENSITIVE		
RECEIPT DATE	DAYS LATE	LEVEL OF ACTIVITY			
AF01397	LISA MURKOWSKI FOR US SENATE	AK	MURKOWSKI, LISA	0	\$1,700
C00384529	JAMES PALMER	\$159,399	No		
04/21/2005	6	\$186,159 (est)			
AF01398	FRIENDS OF JEFF SMITH	MO	SMITH, JEFF	0	\$5,500
C00390914	NICK ADAMS	\$930,796	No		
Not Filed		\$110,474 (est)			
AF01408	STEPHANIE SUMMERS O'NEAL FOR US CONGRESS	MS	SUMMERS-O'NEAL, STEHPANTIE	3	\$7,875
C00395863	DEBORAH JOHNSON THORNTON	\$110,474	No		
Not Filed		\$126,912 (est)			
AF01399	LIFFRIG FOR SENATE	ND	LIFFRIG, MICHAEL GEORGE	0	\$4,500
C00399618	KEN KRUMM	\$761,476	No		
Not Filed		\$135,673 (est)			
AF01400	JAMES A GARNER CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE	NY	GARNER, JAMES A	0	\$4,500
C00392506	LOUIS M EUSTACHE	\$678,368	No		
Not Filed					
AF01402	COMITE PRATS AL CONGRESO INC	PR	PRATS PALERM, ROBERTO L	0	\$6,500
C00387662	JOSE JOAQUIN LEDESMA ESQ	\$2,228,736	No		
Not Filed		\$222,873 (est)			
AF01403	DIETRICH FOR CONGRESS	SD	DIETRICH, LARRY WILLIAM	1	\$11,250
C00367276	Harvey C Krautschun	\$5,081,698	No		
Not Filed		\$423,474 (est)			
AF01404	CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS	TX	CHRISTENSEN, GENE	0	\$4,500
C00393462	LAURA BESKAR	\$442,778	No		
Not Filed		\$110,694 (est)			
AF01405	SOCAS FOR CONGRESS	VA	SOCAS, JAMES ROBERT	1	\$11,875
C00399345	ANDREW T O'DELL	\$1,832,292	No		
Not Filed		\$458,073 (est)			

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION 2005-2006  
Reason to Believe Circulation Report  
2005 APRIL QUARTERLY

DATE 06/21/2005  
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AF #	COMMITTEE NAME	COMMITTEE ID	TREASURER	RECEIPT DATE	LEVEL OF ACTIVITY	THRESHOLD AMOUNT	STATE	CANDIDATE NAME	SENSITIVE	PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS	CIVIL MONEY PENALTY
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AF01406	MAGNUM FOR CONGRESS	C00401067	DIEHL, THOMAS				WI	MAGNUM, DAVID ROBERT	No	0	\$6,500
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\$221,182 (est)

\$1,327,097

\$6,500



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20463

**SENSITIVE**

DATE & TIME TRANSMITTED: Friday, July 01, 2005 12:00

RETURN TO COMMISSION SECRETARY BY: Thursday, July 14, 2005 4:00

COMMISSIONER: MASON, McDONALD, SMITH, THOMAS, TONER, WEINTRAUB

SUBJECT: **RTB Recommendation - 2005 April Quarterly Report For The Administrative Fines Program. Memorandum from the Assistant Staff Director, Reports Analysis Division dated June 22, 2005.**

- ( ) I approve the recommendation(s)
- ( ) I object to the recommendation(s)
- ( ) I approve the recommendations except those following to which I object (please insert AF#)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) I approve the recommendations except those following in which I abstain (please insert AF#)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) I approve the recommendations except those following in which I am recused (please insert AF#)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) I am not voting on this tally.

A definite vote is required. All ballots must be signed and dated. Please return ONLY THE BALLOT to the Commission Secretary. Please return ballot no later than date and time shown above.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
)  
Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2005 )  
April Quarterly Report For The )  
Administrative Fines Program.: )  
LISA MURKOWSKI FOR US SENATE, ) AF# 1397  
and JAMES PALMER as treasurer; )  
FRIENDS OF JEFF SMITH, and NICK ) AF# 1398  
ADAMS as treasurer; )  
LIFFRIG FOR SENATE, and KEN ) AF# 1399  
KRUMM as treasurer; )  
JAMES A GARNER CONGRESSIONAL ) AF# 1400  
COMMITTEE, and LOUIS M EUSTACHE )  
as treasurer; )  
COMITE PRATS AL CONGRESO INC, ) AF# 1402  
and JOSE JOAQUIN LEDESMA ESQ as )  
treasurer; )  
DIEDRICH FOR CONGRESS, and Harvey ) AF# 1403  
C Krautschun as treasurer; )  
CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS, and ) AF# 1404  
LAURA BESKAR as treasurer; )  
SOCAS FOR CONGRESS, and ANDREW ) AF# 1405  
T O'DELL as treasurer; )  
MAGNUM FOR CONGRESS, and DIEHL, ) AF# 1406  
THOMAS as treasurer; )

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CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on July 14, 2005 the Commission took the following actions on the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2005 April Quarterly Report For The Administrative Fines Program. as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated July 14, 2005, on the following committees:

AF#1397 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LISA MURKOWSKI FOR US SENATE, and JAMES PALMER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1398 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that FRIENDS OF JEFF SMITH, and NICK ADAMS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1399 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LIFFRIG FOR SENATE, and KEN KRUMM as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1400 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JAMES A GARNER CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE, and LOUIS M EUSTACHE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1402 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that COMITE PRATS AL CONGRESO INC, and JOSE JOAQUIN LEDESMA ESQ as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram.

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Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1403 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that DIEDRICH FOR CONGRESS, and Harvey C Krautschun as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1404 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS, and LAURA BESKAR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1405 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SOCAS FOR CONGRESS, and ANDREW T O'DELL as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#1406 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MAGNUM FOR CONGRESS, and DIEHL, THOMAS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate mailgram. Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

July 15 2005  
Date

Mary W. Dove  
Mary W. Dove  
Secretary of the Commission

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WESTERN UNION COMMERCIAL SERVICES

CONFIRMATION OF CMGM

TO: LAURA BESKAR  
CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS  
6505 KNOLLWOOD DR  
MCKINNEY TX 75070-2362FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
TODD GARLAND  
999 E ST NW # 709  
WASHINGTON DC 20463

JULY 15, 2005

LAURA BESKAR  
CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS  
6505 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE  
MCKINNEY TX 75070C00393462  
AF#: 1404

DEAR LAURA BESKAR:

THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT OF 1971, AS AMENDED ("THE ACT"), REQUIRES THAT YOUR COMMITTEE FILE AN APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS EVERY CALENDAR YEAR. THIS REPORT, COVERING THE PERIOD THROUGH MARCH 31ST, SHALL BE FILED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15TH. 2 U.S.C. 434(A). YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED OF THE DUE DATE FOR THIS REPORT. RECORDS AT THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION ("FEC") INDICATE THAT THIS REPORT WAS NOT FILED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DUE DATE. YOU SHOULD FILE THIS REPORT IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.

THE ACT WAS FURTHER AMENDED IN 1999 TO PERMIT THE FEC TO IMPOSE CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF 2 U.S.C. 434(A). 2 U.S.C. 437G(A)(4). ON 07/14/2005, THE FEC FOUND THAT THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE ("RTB") THAT CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS AND YOU, AS TREASURER, VIOLATED 2 U.S.C. 434(A) BY FAILING TO FILE TIMELY THIS REPORT ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15TH. BASED ON THE FEC'S SCHEDULES OF CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES AT 11 C.F.R. 111.43, THE AMOUNT OF YOUR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY CALCULATED AT THE RTB STAGE IS \$4,500. IT IS DUE BY 08/23/2005 AND IS BASED ON THESE FACTORS:

ELECTION SENSITIVITY OF REPORT: NOT ELECTION SENSITIVE  
LEVEL OF ACTIVITY: \$110694  
NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: NOT FILED  
NUMBER OF PREVIOUS CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES ASSESSED: 0TO PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY  
TO PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY, SEND THE ENCLOSED  
REMITTANCE AND YOUR PAYMENT TO THE FEC AT THE ADDRESS ON PAGE 3.



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INCLUDING THE FINAL REGULATIONS, IS LOCATED AT THE FEC'S WEBSITE AT WWW.FEC.GOV. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY, PLEASE CONTACT DAYNA BROWN IN THE REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION AT OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530 (AT THE PROMPT PRESS 5) OR (202)694-1130. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SUBMISSION OF A CHALLENGE, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AT OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530 (PRESS 0, THEN EXT. 1660) OR (202)694-1660.

SINCERELY,

SCOTT E. THOMAS  
CHAIRMAN

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ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE OF PENALTIES AT 11 C.F.R. 111.43, THE AMOUNT OF YOUR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY CALCULATED AT RTB IS \$4,500 FOR THE 2005 APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT.

PLEASE MAIL THIS REMITTANCE WITH A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER MADE PAYABLE TO THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:  
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
P.O. BOX 952182  
ST. LOUIS, MO 63195-2182

IF YOU CHOOSE TO SEND YOUR REMITTANCE AND PAYMENT BY COURIER OR OVERNIGHT DELIVERY, PLEASE USE THIS ADDRESS:  
U.S. BANK - GOVERNMENT LOCKBOX  
FEC #952182  
1005 CONVENTION PLAZA  
ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

THE REMITTANCE AND YOUR PAYMENT ARE DUE BY 08/23/2005. UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR REMITTANCE AND PAYMENT, THE FEC WILL SEND YOU A FINAL DETERMINATION LETTER.

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

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FOR: CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS

FEC ID#: C00393462

AF#: 1404

PAYMENT DUE DATE: 08/23/2005

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$4,500

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UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR PAYMENT, THE FEC WILL SEND YOU A FINAL DETERMINATION LETTER.

TO CHALLENGE THE RTB FINDING AND/OR CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY

TO CHALLENGE THE RTB FINDING AND/OR CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY, YOU MUST SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESPONSE, INCLUDING THE AF# FOUND ON PAGE ONE, TO THE FEC'S OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW, 999 E STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20463. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE RECEIVED BY 08/23/2005. YOUR WRITTEN RESPONSE MUST INCLUDE THE REASON(S) WHY YOU ARE CHALLENGING THE RTE FINDING AND/OR CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY. THE FEC WILL ONLY CONSIDER CHALLENGES THAT ARE BASED ON A FACTUAL ERROR, MISCALCULATION OF THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY BY THE FEC, OR THE EXISTENCE OF EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES THAT PERSISTED FOR MORE THAN 48 HOURS THAT WERE BEYOND YOUR CONTROL AND PREVENTED YOU FROM FILING THE REPORT IN A TIMELY MANNER. YOUR RESPONSE MUST INCLUDE THE FACTUAL BASIS SUPPORTING THE REASON(S) AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. THE FEC STRONGLY ENCOURAGES THAT DOCUMENTS BE SUBMITTED IN THE FORM OF AFFIDAVITS OR DECLARATIONS. EXAMPLES OF CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED EXTRAORDINARY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, NEGLIGENCE, PROBLEMS WITH VENDORS OR CONTRACTORS, STAFF ILLNESS, COMPUTER FAILURES AND SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES. 11 C.F.R. 111.35(8)(1)(III) AND (4).

YOUR FAILURE TO RAISE AN ARGUMENT IN A TIMELY FASHION DURING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS SHALL BE DEEMED A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHT TO PRESENT SUCH ARGUMENT IN A PETITION TO THE DISTRICT COURT UNDER 2 U.S.C. 437G. 11 C.F.R. 111.36.

IF YOU INTEND TO BE REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW. YOU SHOULD PROVIDE, IN WRITING, THE NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF YOUR COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZE COUNSEL TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO THIS CHALLENGE AND IMPOSITION OF THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY.

IF YOU DO NOT PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY OR SUBMIT A CHALLENGE

IF YOU DO NOT PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY OR SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESPONSE, THE FEC WILL ASSUME THAT THE PRECEDING FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS ARE TRUE AND MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION THAT CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS AND YOU, AS TREASURER, VIOLATED 2 U.S.C. 434(A) AND ASSESS A CIVIL MONEY PENALTY.

UNPAID CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES ASSESSED THROUGH THE ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REGULATIONS WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE DEBT COLLECTION ACT OF 1982 ("OCA") AS AMENDED BY THE DEBT COLLECTION IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1996, 31 U.S.C. 3701 ET SEQ. THE FEC MAY TAKE ANY AND ALL APPROPRIATE ACTION AUTHORIZED AND REQUIRED BY THE OCA, AS AMENDED, INCLUDING TRANSFER TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FOR COLLECTION. 11 C.F.R. 111.45.

THIS MATTER WAS GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION ASCERTAINED BY THE FEC IN THE NORMAL COURSE OF CARRYING OUT ITS SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES. 2 U.S.C. 437G(A)(2). IT WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH 2 U.S.C. 437G(A)(4)(B) AND 437G(A)(12)(A) UNTIL IT IS PLACED ON THE PUBLIC RECORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH 11 C.F.R. 111.42, UNLESS YOU NOTIFY THE FEC IN WRITING THAT YOU WISH THE MATTER TO BE MADE PUBLIC.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE FEC'S ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM,

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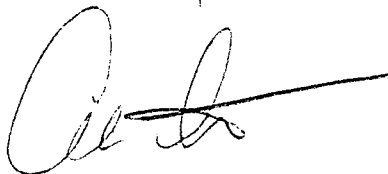
FEC Office of Administrative Review  
999 E Street NW  
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Christensen 4 Congress  
FEC ID#C00393462  
AF#1404

To Whom it may Concern:

As we discussed earlier today, the Christensen 4 Congress Committee no longer exists. The candidate never participated in any election and the committee was closed down September of 2004 after final bills were paid. The report was completed that same month when the account was closed out. The filing was done by direction of the technical assistance helpline. The phone conversation lasted over an hour and the filing was completed and uploaded with their direction. The logon and password no longer work so consequently no further filings were completed because there was no access to the system. Please contact me if further clarification is needed.

Thank You,



Gene Christensen

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

Via First Class Mail

August 18, 2005

Laura Beskar, as Treasurer  
Christensen 4 Congress  
6505 Knollwood Drive  
McKinney, TX 75070

C00393462  
AF# 1404

Dear Ms. Beskar:

On August 15, 2005, the Commission received your written response ("challenge") which is being reviewed by the Office of Administrative Review. If you have any questions regarding your challenge, please contact this Office on our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary E. Seyer".

Mary E. Seyer  
Reviewing Analyst  
Office of Administrative Review

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**Date: August 23, 2005**

**REFERRAL TO OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW  
CHALLENGE RECEIVED**

**AF#: 1404**

**Committee Name: Christensen 4 Congress**

**Committee ID#: C00393462**

**Committee Address (if different than in RTB mailgram): N/A**

**Treasurer Name (if different than in RTB finding): N/A**

**Attachments:**

**Copy of RTB Circulation Report Dated June 22, 2005 and RTB Certification  
Dated July 14, 2005 – previously forwarded**

**Copy of RTB Mailgram: See Declaration**

**Certified Return Receipt (to be forwarded at later date if not yet received) -**

**Attachment #: 1**

**Original Correspondence Received by RAD in Response to  
RTB Mailgram (Y/N): N**

**Attachment #: N/A**

**RAD Staff Declaration - Attachment #: 6**

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**SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION**

- Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.
- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Laura Beskar  
Christenson 4 Congress  
6505 Knollwood DR  
McKinney, TX  
75070-2362

2. Article Number  
(Transfer from service label)

**COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY**

A. Signature  Agent  
  Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name) C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type  
 Certified Mail  Express Mail  
 Registered  Return Receipt for Merchandise  
 Insured Mail  C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee)  Yes

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**DECLARATION OF PATRICIA CARMONA**

1. I am the Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Chief of the Compliance Branch, I oversee the research conducted with regard to the Administrative Fine Program. I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could and would testify competently to the following matters.
2. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to the Christensen 4 Congress committee:
  - A) Prior Notice dated March 21, 2005 referencing the 2005 April Quarterly Report;
  - B) Non-Filer Mailgram dated May 2, 2005 referencing the 2005 April Quarterly Report;
  - C) Reason-to-Believe Mailgram dated July 15, 2005 referencing the 2005 April Quarterly Report.
3. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Christensen 4 Congress committee has not filed the 2005 April Quarterly Report with the Commission.
4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that we have provided all relevant telecoms for the case. This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 23rd day of August, 2005.



Patricia Carmona  
Chief, Compliance Branch  
Reports Analysis Division  
Federal Election Commission

# QUARTERLY REPORT NOTICE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

March 21, 2005

## REPORTING DATES

<b>REPORT</b>	<b>REPORTING PERIOD<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>REG./CERT. &amp; OVERNIGHT MAILING DATE</b>	<b>FILING DATE</b>
April Quarterly	01/01/05 - 03/31/05	04/15/05	04/15/05

## WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates<sup>2</sup> (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file an April Quarterly Report on April 15, 2005.<sup>3</sup> Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

## METHOD OF FILING

Reports sent by registered or certified mail must be postmarked by the mailing date. Committees should keep the mailing receipt with its postmark as proof of filing.

If using overnight mail, the delivery service must receive the report by the mailing date. "Overnight mail" includes Priority or Express Mail having a delivery confirmation, or an overnight delivery service with an on-line tracking system. Reports filed by any other means must be received by the Commission (or Secretary of the Senate for Senate committees) by the filing date.

<sup>1</sup>These dates indicate the beginning and the end of the reporting period. A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered.

<sup>2</sup>An individual becomes a candidate for Federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions received or expenditures made. If the campaign has not exceeded the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports.

<sup>3</sup>If the campaign has more than one authorized committee in addition to the principal campaign committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on Form 3Z.

(over)

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**REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER OF 2005**

**REPORTING DATES**

<b>REPORT</b>	<b>REPORTING PERIOD<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>REG./CERT. &amp; OVERNIGHT MAILING DATE</b>	<b>FILING DATE</b>
July Quarterly	04/01/05 - 06/30/05	07/15/05	07/15/05
October Quarterly	07/01/05 - 09/30/05	10/15/05	10/15/05 <sup>4</sup>
Year-End	10/01/05 - 12/31/05	01/31/06	01/31/06

**COMPLIANCE**

- Treasurers of political committees are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time.
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CONFIRMATION OF MAILGRAM

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MAY 2, 2005

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C0C393462

REFERENCE: APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT (01/01/2005 - 03/31/2005)

DEAR TREASURER:

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ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**SENSITIVE**

TO: THE COMMISSION

THROUGH: PATRINA M. CLARK *mc*  
STAFF DIRECTOR

JOHN D. GIBSON *JG*  
ACTING DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM: SHAWN WOODHEAD WERTH *SW*  
REVIEWING OFFICER  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

SUBJECT: AF# 1404 - CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS AND LAURA  
BESKAR, AS TREASURER (C00393462)

The attached Reviewing Officer Recommendation is being circulated on an informational basis. A copy was also sent to respondents in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The respondents may file with the Commission Secretary a written response within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation.

After the 10 day period, the Reviewing Officer Recommendation and the respondents' written response, if any, will be circulated to the Commission to make a final determination.

Attachment

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

November 3, 2006

**REVIEWING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ("OAR")**

AF# 1404 – Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer (C00393462)

On July 14, 2005, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer ("the respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2005 April Quarterly Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$4,500 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The respondents were notified by the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") via mailgram on July 15, 2005, of the Commission's finding and civil money penalty calculated at RTB.

**Respondents' Response**

On August 16, 2005, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from the candidate, Gene Christensen, on behalf of the respondents. He states that "the Committee no longer exists. The candidate never participated in any election and the committee was closed down September of 2004 after final bills were paid." He further states that "[t]he report was completed that same month when the account was closed out. The filing was done by direction of the technical assistance helpline." He concludes that "[t]he logon and password no longer work so consequently no further filings were completed."

**Telephone Records Provided with RAD Declaration**

In her declaration for AF #1404, the Compliance Branch Chief states that she has provided "all relevant telecoms" [written records of telephone conversations] for conversations on January 30, April 26, and October 14, 2004 and August 10, 2005 between the candidate and Treasurer, and RAD Analysts Michelle Liljeroot and Dayna Brown. Ms. Liljeroot notes in her January 30, 2004 telecom that the candidate called "to let me know that he is not running in the Primary Election. I told him that he still needs to continue filing quarterly until he decides to terminate the Committee."

On April 26, 2004, Ms. Liljeroot states that Mr. Christensen called because he had "looked at the FEC website and found that his records included non-filer[ ] notices.... I let him know that he needed to file ... electronically because he went over the \$50,000.00 threshold." She then notes that "[h]e indicated that he wanted to keep the account open so I recommended that he submit the [2004] April Quarterly Report electronically and to continue to file electronically every quarter." She also "verified his mailing address on the [Statement of Organization] was inactive and told him to submit an updated [Statement of Organization] electronically with his current address."

The next call occurred on October 14, 2004, when Laura Beskar called and spoke to Ms. Liljeroot. In her telecom, Ms. Liljeroot states that "Ms. Beskar called to inquire how to recreate the committee after her computer crashed.... I walked [her through] how to get

started” and also “sent her down to [the Electronic Filing Office] to see if they could help her import the data.”

Mr. Christensen called Dayna Brown on August 10, 2005 in response to the RTB mailgram. In her telecom, Ms. Brown notes that

Mr. Christensen stated that the committee had been terminated back in 2004 after he withdrew from the race.... I advised [him] that it did not appear that the committee had requested that it be terminated. I further explained that the termination box had not been checked on any of the committee’s reports, nor a letter sent to request a termination. [He] then stated that all of the committee’s accounts had been closed, as well as their e-filing password. I reiterated to [him] that the committee had not been terminated ... and that [it] was required to continue filing until it receives a letter from the Commission stating that it has been terminated.

### Analysis of Challenge

As of this date, the 2005 April Quarterly Report has not been filed in an electronic format. A paper copy of a report marked as a Termination Report was received on October 18, 2005. The paper copy has coverage dates of July 1, 2005 – September 30, 2005, and a handwritten notation on Line 4 of the Summary Page of “All Above” for type of quarterly report.

The Federal Election Campaign Act (“Act”) requires that quarterly reports be filed by the treasurer of a principal campaign committee no later than the 15th day after the last day of each calendar quarter. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2)(B) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a)(1)(i). Reports electronically filed must be received and validated at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the prescribed filing date to be timely filed. 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(e). A principal campaign committee must continue to file reports until it files a termination report stating that it will no longer receive contributions or make disbursements, that there are no outstanding debts or obligations and the purpose for which residual funds will be used. 2 U.S.C. § 433(d)(1) and 11 C.F.R. § 102.3. The level of activity means the total amount of receipts and disbursements for the period covered by the late report. 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a)(2). The treasurer shall be personally responsible for the timely and complete filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d).

In two conversations in 2004, the RAD Analyst made it clear to the candidate that the respondents must continue to file reports until they submit a valid Termination Report. The respondents were subsequently notified on numerous occasions of their continuing filing requirements in 2005 and their failure to file the April Quarterly Report.

Prior Notice for this report, which was sent to them on March 21, 2005, states that the filing date is April 15, informs committees that they must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted, and that treasurers are responsible for the timeliness of all reports. The January 2005 issue of the FEC Record includes an article that explains the 2005 quarterly filing requirements for congressional committees, that the April Quarterly Report is due on April 15, and that committees that wish to terminate must continue filing reports until notified in writing that

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their termination report has been accepted by the Commission. Additionally, a Non-Filer Mailgram was sent to them on May 2, 2005 when the report had still not been received. The Prior Notice, FEC Record, and Non-Filer Notice were sent to them at their address of record.

Although the candidate states in the challenge and his October 2005 letter that the Committee was closed down in September 2004 and the last report filed, the 2004 October Quarterly Report is not marked as a Termination Report. Because the respondents did not file a Termination Report on or before April 15, 2005, indicating that the Committee will no longer receive contributions or make disbursements, that there are no outstanding debts or obligations and the purpose for which any residual funds will be used, they were required to file the April Quarterly Report.

The paper copy of the report received on October 18, 2005 is marked as a Termination Report.<sup>1</sup> It has coverage dates of July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005 but, under the report type options, there is the handwritten notation "All Above." Because the cover letter indicates that there has been no activity since September 2004, and the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages as well as the attached schedules are marked with zeros, the "All Above" notation appears to refer to all of the quarterly reports that were past due and indicates that the Committee had no receipts and no disbursements during the 2005 April Quarterly reporting period.

There is no provision in the Act and the regulations to waive a committee's quarterly filing requirement because a committee has no receipts and makes no disbursements for that reporting period. Furthermore, the respondents are required to file this report in an electronic format because they exceeded the \$50,000 mandatory electronic filing threshold. 11 C.F.R. § 104.18(a).

However, under the administrative fine regulations, one of the criteria used to calculate the civil money penalty is the level of activity. At the time of the RTB finding, the Commission had not received a report. As required, the Commission estimated the level of activity for the January 1 through March 31, 2005 reporting period. Based on the estimated level of activity of \$110,694, the Commission determined that the RTB civil money penalty was  $\$4,500 \times [1 + (.25 \times 00)]$ , or \$4,500. Since the Termination Report indicates that the level of activity during this reporting period is \$0 and the schedule of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a) only provides for civil money penalties if the level of activity is \$1.00 or more, no civil money penalty should be assessed against the respondents.

The respondents' challenge presented no evidence that a factual error was made, that the civil money penalty was miscalculated at RTB or that extraordinary circumstances, as defined at 11 C.F.R. § 111.35, existed which prevented them from filing the April Quarterly Report in a timely manner. The Reviewing Officer, therefore, recommends that the Commission make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity for the April Quarterly reporting period, as reported on

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<sup>1</sup> RAD notified the respondents that they must continue to file reports because they are involved in administrative fine cases (the present case as well as AF# 1118 in which the \$4,500 unpaid civil money penalty was referred to the Department of Treasury for collection).

the Termination Report (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$4,500).

**OAR Recommendations**

- (1) Make a final determination in AF# 1404 that Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity for the 2005 April Quarterly reporting period, as reported on the Termination Report received on October 18, 2005 (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$4,500); and
- (2) Send the appropriate letter.

Reviewing Analyst: Mary E. Seiler

Attachments

- Attachment 1 - Challenge Received from Respondents
- Attachment 2 - Declaration from RAD
- Attachment 3 -
- Attachment 4 - Declaration from OAR

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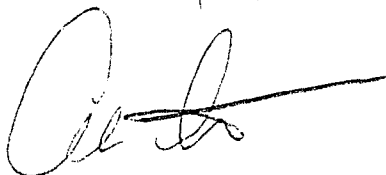
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999 E Street NW  
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Christensen 4 Congress  
FEC ID#C00393462  
AF#1404

To Whom it may Concern:

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Thank You,



Gene Christensen

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**DECLARATION OF PATRICIA CARMONA**

1. I am the Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Chief of the Compliance Branch, I oversee the research conducted with regard to the Administrative Fine Program. I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could and would testify competently to the following matters.
2. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to the Christensen 4 Congress committee:
  - A) Prior Notice dated March 21, 2005 referencing the 2005 April Quarterly Report;
  - B) Non-Filer Mailgram dated May 2, 2005 referencing the 2005 April Quarterly Report;
  - C) Reason-to-Believe Mailgram dated July 15, 2005 referencing the 2005 April Quarterly Report.
3. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Christensen 4 Congress committee has not filed the 2005 April Quarterly Report with the Commission.
4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that we have provided all relevant telecoms for the case. This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 23rd day of August, 2005.



Patricia Carmona  
Chief, Compliance Branch  
Reports Analysis Division  
Federal Election Commission

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# QUARTERLY REPORT NOTICE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

March 21, 2005

## REPORTING DATES

REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD <sup>1</sup>	REG./CERT. & OVERNIGHT MAILING DATE	FILING DATE
April Quarterly	01/01/05 - 03/31/05	04/15/05	04/15/05

## WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates<sup>2</sup> (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file an April Quarterly Report on April 15, 2005.<sup>3</sup> Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

## METHOD OF FILING

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<sup>2</sup>An individual becomes a candidate for Federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions received or expenditures made. If the campaign has not exceeded the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports.

<sup>3</sup>If the campaign has more than one authorized committee in addition to the principal campaign committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on Form 3Z.

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REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER OF 2005

**REPORTING DATES**

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October Quarterly	07/01/05 - 09/30/05	10/15/05	10/15/05 <sup>4</sup>
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JULY 15, 2005

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AF#: 1404

DEAR LAURA BESKAR:

THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT OF 1971, AS AMENDED ("THE ACT"), REQUIRES THAT YOUR COMMITTEE FILE AN APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS EVERY CALENDAR YEAR. THIS REPORT, COVERING THE PERIOD THROUGH MARCH 31ST, SHALL BE FILED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15TH. 2 U.S.C. 434(A). YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY NOTIFIED OF THE DUE DATE FOR THIS REPORT. RECORDS AT THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION ("FEC") INDICATE THAT THIS REPORT WAS NOT FILED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DUE DATE. YOU SHOULD FILE THIS REPORT IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO.

THE ACT WAS FURTHER AMENDED IN 1999 TO PERMIT THE FEC TO IMPOSE CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF 2 U.S.C. 434(A). 2 U.S.C. 437G(A)(4). ON 07/14/2005, THE FEC FOUND THAT THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE ("RTB") THAT CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS AND YOU, AS TREASURER, VIOLATED 2 U.S.C. 434(A) BY FAILING TO FILE TIMELY THIS REPORT ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15TH. BASED ON THE FEC'S SCHEDULES OF CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES AT 11 C.F.R. 111.43, THE AMOUNT OF YOUR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY CALCULATED AT THE RTB STAGE IS \$4,500. IT IS DUE BY 08/23/2005 AND IS BASED ON THESE FACTORS:

ELECTION SENSITIVITY OF REPORT: NOT ELECTION SENSITIVE  
LEVEL OF ACTIVITY: \$110694  
NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: NOT FILED  
NUMBER OF PREVIOUS CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES ASSESSED: 0

TO PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY  
TO PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY, SEND THE ENCLOSED REMITTANCE AND YOUR PAYMENT TO THE FEC AT THE ADDRESS ON PAGE 3.

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UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR PAYMENT, THE FEC WILL SEND YOU A FINAL DETERMINATION LETTER.

TO CHALLENGE THE RTB FINDING AND/OR CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY TO CHALLENGE THE RTB FINDING AND/OR CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY, YOU MUST SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESPONSE, INCLUDING THE AF# FOUND ON PAGE ONE, TO THE FEC'S OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW, 999 E STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20463. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE RECEIVED BY 08/23/2005. YOUR WRITTEN RESPONSE MUST INCLUDE THE REASON(S) WHY YOU ARE CHALLENGING THE RTB FINDING AND/OR CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY. THE FEC WILL ONLY CONSIDER CHALLENGES THAT ARE BASED ON A FACTUAL ERROR, MISCALCULATION OF THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY BY THE FEC, OR THE EXISTENCE OF EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES THAT PERSISTED FOR MORE THAN 48 HOURS THAT WERE BEYOND YOUR CONTROL AND PREVENTED YOU FROM FILING THE REPORT IN A TIMELY MANNER. YOUR RESPONSE MUST INCLUDE THE FACTUAL BASIS SUPPORTING THE REASON(S) AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. THE FEC STRONGLY ENCOURAGES THAT DOCUMENTS BE SUBMITTED IN THE FORM OF AFFIDAVITS OR DECLARATIONS. EXAMPLES OF CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED EXTRAORDINARY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, NEGLIGENCE, PROBLEMS WITH VENDORS OR CONTRACTORS, STAFF ILLNESS, COMPUTER FAILURES AND SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES. 11 C.F.R. 111.35(B)(1)(III) AND (4).

YOUR FAILURE TO RAISE AN ARGUMENT IN A TIMELY FASHION DURING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS SHALL BE DEEMED A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHT TO PRESENT SUCH ARGUMENT IN A PETITION TO THE DISTRICT COURT UNDER 2 U.S.C. 437G. 11 C.F.R. 111.38.

IF YOU INTEND TO BE REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW. YOU SHOULD PROVIDE, IN WRITING, THE NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF YOUR COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZE COUNSEL TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO THIS CHALLENGE AND IMPOSITION OF THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY.

IF YOU DO NOT PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY OR SUBMIT A CHALLENGE

IF YOU DO NOT PAY THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY OR SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESPONSE, THE FEC WILL ASSUME THAT THE PRECEDING FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS ARE TRUE AND MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION THAT CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS AND YOU, AS TREASURER, VIOLATED 2 U.S.C. 434(A) AND ASSESS A CIVIL MONEY PENALTY.

UNPAID CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES ASSESSED THROUGH THE ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REGULATIONS WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE DEBT COLLECTION ACT OF 1982("DCA") AS AMENDED BY THE DEBT COLLECTION IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1996, 31 U.S.C. 3701 ET SEQ. THE FEC MAY TAKE ANY AND ALL APPROPRIATE ACTION AUTHORIZED AND REQUIRED BY THE DCA, AS AMENDED, INCLUDING TRANSFER TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FOR COLLECTION. 11 C.F.R. 111.45.

THIS MATTER WAS GENERATED BASED ON INFORMATION ASCERTAINED BY THE FEC IN THE NORMAL COURSE OF CARRYING OUT ITS SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES. 2 U.S.C. 437G(A)(2). IT WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH 2 U.S.C. 437G(A)(4)(B) AND 437G(A)(12)(A) UNTIL IT IS PLACED ON THE PUBLIC RECORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH 11 C.F.R. 111.42, UNLESS YOU NOTIFY THE FEC IN WRITING THAT YOU WISH THE MATTER TO BE MADE PUBLIC.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE FEC'S ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM,

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INCLUDING THE FINAL REGULATIONS, IS LOCATED AT THE FEC'S WEBSITE AT WWW.FEC.GOV. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF THE CALCULATED CIVIL MONEY PENALTY, PLEASE CONTACT DAYNA BROWN IN THE REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION AT OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530 (AT THE PROMPT PRESS 5) OR (202)694-1130. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SUBMISSION OF A CHALLENGE, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AT OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530 (PRESS 0, THEN EXT. 1660) OR (202)694-1660.

SINCERELY,

SCOTT E. THOMAS  
CHAIRMAN

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ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE OF PENALTIES AT 11 C.F.R. 111.43, THE AMOUNT OF YOUR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY CALCULATED AT RTB IS \$4,500 FOR THE 2005 APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT.

PLEASE MAIL THIS REMITTANCE WITH A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER MADE PAYABLE TO THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:  
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
P.O. BOX 952182  
ST. LOUIS, MO 63195-2182

IF YOU CHOOSE TO SEND YOUR REMITTANCE AND PAYMENT BY COURIER OR OVERNIGHT DELIVERY, PLEASE USE THIS ADDRESS:  
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1005 CONVENTION PLAZA  
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THE REMITTANCE AND YOUR PAYMENT ARE DUE BY 08/23/2005. UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR REMITTANCE AND PAYMENT, THE FEC WILL SEND YOU A FINAL DETERMINATION LETTER.

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

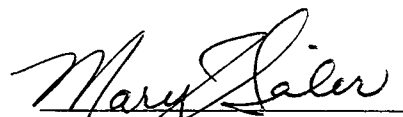
FOR: CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS  
FEC ID#: C00393462  
AF#: 1404  
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PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$4,500

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### DECLARATION OF MARY E. SEILER

1. I am the Reviewing Analyst in the Office of Administrative Review for the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Reviewing Analyst, I conduct research with respect to all challenges submitted in accordance with the Administrative Fine program.
2. The 2005 April Quarterly Report, covering the period from January 1 through March 31, 2005, is due April 15, 2005. If electronically filed, it must be received and validated by the Commission at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on April 15 to be timely filed.
3. It is the practice of the Commission's Information Division to send the Record to Treasurers and committees at their address of record.
4. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and that the documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the:
  - a) Page 1 of the Summary Pages for the 2004 July and October Quarterly Reports electronically filed by Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the reports were received on July 13 and October 15, 2004, respectively. The address change box is checked on Line 1 of the July Quarterly Report and the address is listed as 6505 Knollwood Drive McKinney, TX 75070. The Termination Report box is not checked on Line 4 of the October Quarterly Report; and
  - b) cover letter and Summary and Detailed Summary Pages for the paper copy of a Termination report for Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the paper copy is marked as a Termination Report, Line 4 has a handwritten notation of "All Above," and it has handwritten coverage dates of July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. The Summary and Detailed Summary Pages show zeros for all Lines of Columns A and B. The cover letter is signed by the candidate and states that "the ... committee is no longer in existence. There is no activity.... This committee was dissolved back in September of 2004."
5. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed at Washington on the 3rd of November, 2006.



Mary E. Seiler  
Reviewing Analyst  
Office of Administrative Review  
Federal Election Commission

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Before joining the Bush campaign in Austin, Commissioner Toner was Deputy Counsel at the RNC from 1997-1999. Prior to his tenure at the RNC, Mr. Toner served as counsel to the Dole/Kemp Presidential Campaign in 1996.

Mr. Toner was an associate attorney at Wiley, Rein, & Fielding in Washington, DC, from 1992-1996.

### Visit the FEC's Redesigned Web Site

FEC staff recently completed a significant upgrade of the Commission's web site, [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov). The redesigned site offers a wealth of information in a simple, clearly-organized format. Features include cascading menus that improve navigation and interactive pages that allow users to tailor content to their specific needs. Noteworthy among the new features is a search engine. This tool allows visitors to immediately access all pages on the site that contain a desired word or phrase. Another new feature, the Commission Calendar, helps users keep track of reporting deadlines, upcoming conferences and workshops, Commission meetings, comment deadlines and more.

The site also offers a robust new enforcement section that includes the Enforcement Query System, information on closed MURs, the Alternative Dispute Resolution and Administrative Fine programs and—for the first time—access to final audit reports issued by the Commission. The Commission encourages the regulated community and the public to make use of this dynamic and interactive site by visiting [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov).

His work there included advising political committees and corporate clients on federal and state election law compliance. He was also involved in a number of First and Fourteenth Amendment appellate litigation matters, including two cases that were successful in the U.S. Supreme Court.

Mr. Toner has written widely on campaign finance matters, including in the *Washington Post*, *Boston Globe*, *Chicago Tribune* and *Washington Times*. Mr. Toner is a lecturer in the Department of Politics at the University of Virginia.

Mr. Toner received a J.D. *cum laude* from Cornell Law School in 1992, an M.A. in Political Science from Johns Hopkins University in 1989 and a B.A. with distinction from the University of Virginia in 1986. He is a member of the District of Columbia and Virginia bars as well as the U.S. Supreme Court bar, the Fourth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. District Courts for the District of Columbia and the Eastern District of Virginia.

—Amy Kori

## Reports

### Reports Due in 2005

This article on filing requirements for 2005 is supplemented by the reporting tables on the following pages.

### General Information

It is the responsibility of the committee treasurer to file required reports on time. To assist treasurers, the Commission sends committees notices of upcoming reporting deadlines. Please note that filing deadlines are not extended in cases where the filing date falls on a weekend or federal holiday. In such cases, reports filed by first-class mail or courier must be received by the Commission on the business day

preceding the filing date. Reports filed electronically must be received by the Commission and pass the validation test by 11:59 Eastern time on the filing date.

Under the Commission's mandatory electronic filing regulations, individuals and organizations<sup>1</sup> that receive contributions or make expenditures in excess of \$50,000 in a calendar year—or expect to do so—must file all reports and statements with the FEC electronically. Electronic filers who instead file on paper or submit an electronic report that does not pass the validation test will be considered nonfilers and may be subject to enforcement actions (including administrative fines).

Committees that file with the Secretary of the Senate<sup>2</sup> are not subject to the mandatory electronic filing rules, but are encouraged to file an unofficial electronic copy of their reports with the FEC in order to expedite disclosure. 11 CFR 104.18.

The Commission's electronic filing software, FECFile 5, can be downloaded from the FEC's web site at <http://www.fec.gov/elecfil/electron.shtml>. Filers may also use commercial or privately-developed software as long as the software meets the Commission's format specifications, which are available on the Commission's web site.

Most paper forms are available at the FEC's web site (<http://www.fec.gov/info/forms.shtml>) and from FEC Faxline, the agency's automated fax system (202/501-3413). The 2005

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<sup>1</sup> The regulation covers individuals and organizations required to file reports of contributions and/or expenditures with the Commission, including any person making an independent expenditure. Disbursements for "electioneering communications" do not count toward the \$50,000 threshold for mandatory electronic filing. 11 CFR 104.18(a).

<sup>2</sup> See "Where to File" on page 5.

## Guide to 2005 Reporting

Type of Filer	Reports			
	2004 Year-End	Semi-annual	Quarterly	Monthly
House and Senate Candidate Committees <sup>1</sup>	X		X	
Presidential Candidate Committees	X		X	or <sup>2</sup> X
National Party Committees	X			X
State, Local and District Party Committees	X	X	or <sup>3</sup>	X
Political Action Committees	X	X	or <sup>4</sup>	X

<sup>1</sup>This category includes committees of candidates retiring debts from a previous election or running for a future election.

<sup>2</sup>Presidential committees may file on either a quarterly or a monthly basis. Those wishing to change their filing frequency should notify the Commission in writing. Electronic filers must file this request electronically.

<sup>3</sup>State, district and local party committees that engage in reportable "federal election activity" must file on a monthly basis. 11 CFR 300.36(c)(1). Other state, district and local party committees may file on a semiannual basis.

<sup>4</sup>Political action committees (PACs) may file on either a semiannual or a monthly basis. Committees wishing to change their filing frequency must notify the Commission in writing when filing a report under the committee's current schedule. Electronic filers must file this request electronically. A committee may change its filing frequency only once per calendar year. 11 CFR 104.5(c).

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Reporting Schedule is also available on the FEC's web site ([http://www.fec.gov/info/report\\_dates.shtml](http://www.fec.gov/info/report_dates.shtml)), and from Faxline. For more information on reporting, call the FEC at 800/424-9530 or 202/694-1100.

### Year-End Reports Covering 2004 Activity

All committees must file a 2004 year-end report due January 31, 2005. The coverage and reporting dates are found on page 5.

### Reports Covering 2005 Activity

To find out which reports your committee must file in 2005, check the Guide to 2005 Reporting on page 4. Then check the tables on page 5 for reporting dates. Please note that committees active in special elections in 2005 may have to file additional special election reports, as explained on page 6.

### Authorized Committees of Candidates

*House and Senate Candidates.* All campaigns that raise or spend more than \$5,000 (and thus trigger

registration and reporting requirements) must file quarterly reports in 2005. Under the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002 (BCRA), principal campaign committees may no longer file on a semiannual basis in non-election years. 2 U.S.C. §434(a)(2)(B).

Committees that wish to terminate must continue filing reports until notified in writing that their termination report has been accepted by the Commission.

Principal campaign committees of candidates running in 2006 must file FEC Form 3Z-1 as part of their 2005 July Quarterly and Year-End reports. 11 CFR 104.19. The information provided on Form 3Z-1 allows opposing candidates to compute their "gross receipts advantage," which is used to determine whether a candidate is entitled to increased contribution and coordinated party expenditure limits under the "Millionaires' Amendment." 2 U.S.C. §§441a(i) and 441a-1. Form 3Z-1 is included in the FEC Form 3 package, and need only be filed with the July 15 quarterly report and year-end report for the year preceding the general election for the office the candidate seeks.

*Presidential Candidates.* All committees authorized by Presidential candidates must file on either a monthly or a quarterly schedule in 2005. A Presidential committee wishing to change its filing schedule should notify the Commission in writing. 11 CFR 104.5(b)(2). Electronic filers must file this request electronically.

### State, District and Local Party Committees

State, district and local party committees that engage in reportable "federal election activity" must file on a monthly schedule. 11 CFR 300.36(c)(1). Committees that do not engage in reportable "federal election activity" may file on a semiannual basis in 2005. (See the April 2003 *Record*, page 5, for

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## 2004 Year-End Report

Note: All committees file this report.

Report	Period Covered	Filing Date <sup>1</sup>
Year-End	Closing date of last report through 12/31/04	January 31, 2005

## 2005 Monthly Reports

Note: All national party committees and any state, district or local party committee that engages in "federal election activity" must file monthly reports.

Report	Period Covered	Filing Date <sup>1</sup>
February	January 1-31	February 20*
March	February 1-28	March 20*
April	March 1-31	April 20
May	April 1-30	May 20
June	May 1-31	June 20
July	June 1-30	July 20
August	July 1-31	August 20*
September	August 1-31	September 20
October	September 1-30	October 20
November	October 1-31	November 20*
December	November 1-30	December 20
Year-End	December 1-31	January 31, 2006

## 2005 Quarterly Reports

Note: All principal campaign committees must now file on a quarterly schedule in non-election years as well as in election years. Presidential committees may choose to file quarterly, rather than monthly, in non-election years.

Report	Close of Books	Filing Date <sup>1</sup>
1st Quarter	March 31	April 15
2nd Quarter <sup>2</sup>	June 30	July 15
3rd Quarter	September 30	October 15*
Year-End <sup>2</sup>	December 31	January 31, 2006

## 2005 Semiannual Reports

Note: PACs that file quarterly in election years file on a semiannual schedule in non-election years.

Report	Close of Books	Filing Date <sup>1</sup>
Mid-Year	June 30	July 31*
Year-End	December 31	January 31, 2006

\* Note that this filing date falls on a weekend. Filing dates are not extended for weekends or federal holidays.

<sup>1</sup> Reports sent by registered or certified mail, by Express or Priority Mail with delivery confirmation or by overnight delivery service with an on-line tracking system must be postmarked, or deposited with the mailing service, by the filing date. Reports sent by other means—including first class mail—must be received by the filing date. 2 U.S.C. §434(a)(5) and 11 CFR 104.5(e).

<sup>2</sup> Authorized committees of candidates in the 2006 general election file Form 3Z-1.

more information on monthly filing for state, district and local party committees.) A committee that filed monthly in 2004 due to its federal election activity must notify the Commission in writing if it wishes to file semiannually in 2005. 11 CFR 104.5(b)(2). Electronic filers must file this request electronically.

## National Party Committees

Under the BCRA, national committees of political parties must file on a monthly schedule in all years and may no longer choose to change their filing schedule in non-election years. 2 U.S.C. §434(a)(4)(B).

## Political Action Committees

PACs (separate segregated funds and nonconnected committees) that filed on a quarterly basis during 2004 file on a semiannual basis in 2005. Monthly filers continue on the monthly schedule. PACs may change their filing schedule, but must first notify the Commission in writing. Electronic filers must file this request electronically. A committee may change its filing frequency only once a year. 11 CFR 104.5(c).

## Where to File

Committee treasurers must file FEC reports with the appropriate federal office. State filing requirements also apply to reports filed by the principal campaign committees of candidates seeking office in Guam, Montana and Puerto Rico and to reports filed by PACs and party committees who support these candidates. 2 U.S.C. §439(a)(2)(B).

### House Candidate Committees.

Principal campaign committees of House candidates file with the FEC. 11 CFR 105.1.

### Senate Candidate Committees.

Principal campaign committees of Senate candidates file with the Secretary of the Senate. 11 CFR 105.2.

**Presidential Committees.** Principal campaign committees of Presidential candidates file with the FEC. 11 CFR 105.3.

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FEC FORM 3

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For An Authorized Committee

Office Use Only

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (In full) USE FEC MAILING LABEL OR TYPE OR PRINT Example: if typing, type over the lines

CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS

ADDRESS (number and street)

6505 Krollwood Drive

X Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

McKinney

TX

75070

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

C00993462

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

STATE DISTRICT

3. IS THIS REPORT NEW (N) OR AMENDED (A)

TX 04

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

X April 15 Quarterly Report (Q1)

July 15 Quarterly Report (Q2)

October 15 Quarterly Report (Q3)

January 31 Year-End Report (YE)

Termination Report (TER)

(b) 12-Day PRE-Election Report for the:

Primary (12P)

General (12G)

Runoff (12R)

Convention (12C)

Special (12S)

Election on

In the State of

(c) 30-Day POST-Election Report for the:

General (30G)

Runoff (30R)

Special (30S)

Election on

in the State of

5. Covering Period 01 01 2004 through 03 31 2004

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer Ms Laura Beskar

Signature of Treasurer Electronically Filed by Ms Laura Beskar Date 07 13 2004

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C 437g.

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**FEC  
FORM 3**

**REPORT OF RECEIPTS  
AND DISBURSEMENTS**

For An Authorized Committee

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CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS

ADDRESS (number and street) 6505 Knollwood Drive

Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

McKinney TX 75070

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER C00393462  
 CITY A STATE A ZIP CODE A STATE DISTRICT  
 TX 04

3. IS THIS REPORT  NEW (N) OR  AMENDED (A)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

April 15 Quarterly Report (Q1)

July 15 Quarterly Report (Q2)

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Election on

in the State of

5. Covering Period 07 01 2004 through 09 30 2004

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer Ms Laura Beskar

Signature of Treasurer Electronically Filed by Ms Laura Beskar Date 10 15 2004

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C 437g.

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Federal Election Commission  
Attn: Patricia Corona  
999 E Street NW  
Washington, DC 20004

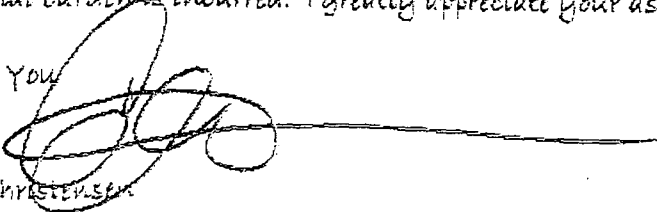
Re: Christensen 4 Congress  
FEC ID#C00393462

Dear Patricia Corona,

As we discussed this previous Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, the above noted committee is no longer in existence. There is no activity (expenditures or contributions), no treasurer, no candidate... no committee. The electronic filing id/password is no longer valid and access can not be obtained to file a report. This committee was dissolved back in September of 2004. Final reports were completed with the assistance of the electronic filing help-line and they were very clear on the fact that the committee was disbanded and the filings were complete per their direction. Please update your files as soon as possible.

Again, I respectfully request that all info be corrected to reflect that the committee was dissolved in September of 2004 and the fines be withdrawn so no further confusion or financial burden is incurred. I greatly appreciate your assistance.

Thank You

  
Gene Christensen

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FEC FORM 3

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS For An Authorized Committee

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CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS

ADDRESS (number and street)

6505 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE

Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

MC KINNEY TX 75079

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

STATE DISTRICT

00393462

3. IS THIS REPORT

NEW (N) OR

AMENDED (A)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

- April 15 Quarterly Report (Q1)
July 15 Quarterly Report (Q2)
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January 31 Year-End Report (YE)

(b) 12-Day PRE-Election Report for the:

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(c) 30-Day POST-Election Report for the:

- General (30G) Runoff (30R) Special (30S)

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Termination Report (TER) All Above

5. Covering Period

07 07 2005 through 09 30 2005

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Laura Beskan (Christensen)

Signature of Treasurer

[Handwritten Signature]

Date

10 17 2005

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SUMMARY PAGE  
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Write or Type Committee Name

CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS

Report Covering the Period:

From:

07 01 2005

To:

09 30 2005

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Election Cycle-to-Date
6. Net Contributions (other than loans)		
(a) Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11(e))		
(b) Total Contribution Refunds (from Line 20(d))		
(c) Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract Line 6(b) from Line 6(a))		
7. Net Operating Expenditures		
(a) Total Operating Expenditures (from Line 17)		
(b) Total Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 14)		
(c) Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 7(b) from Line 7(a))		
8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (from Line 27)		
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)		
10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)		

For further information contact:

Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20463

Toll Free 800-424-9530  
Local 202-694-1100

**DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE**  
of Receipts

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Write or Type Committee Name

*Christensen 4 Congress*

Report Covering the Period: From:

*07 01 2003*

To:

*09 30 2003*

**I. RECEIPTS**

**COLUMN A**  
Total This Period

**COLUMN B**  
Election Cycle-to-Date

**11. CONTRIBUTIONS (other than loans) FROM:**

- (a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees
  - (i) Itemized (use Schedule A) .....
  - (ii) Unitemized .....
  - (iii) TOTAL of contributions from individuals .....
- (b) Political Party Committees .....
- (c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs) .....
- (d) The Candidate .....
- (e) TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (other than loans) (add Lines 11(a)(iii), (b), (c), and (d)) ..

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**12. TRANSFERS FROM OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES .....**

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**13. LOANS:**

- (a) Made or Guaranteed by the Candidate .....
- (b) All Other Loans .....
- (c) TOTAL LOANS (add Lines 13(a) and (b)) .....

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**14. OFFSETS TO OPERATING EXPENDITURES (Refunds, Rebates, etc.) .....**

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**15. OTHER RECEIPTS (Dividends, Interest, etc.) .....**

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**16. TOTAL RECEIPTS (add Lines 11(e), 12, 13(c), 14, and 15) (Carry Total to Line 24, page 4) .....**

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**DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE**  
of Disbursements

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II. DISBURSEMENTS	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Election Cycle-to-Date
17. OPERATING EXPENDITURES.....		
18. TRANSFERS TO OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES.....		
19. LOAN REPAYMENTS:		
(a) Of Loans Made or Guaranteed by the Candidate.....		
(b) Of All Other Loans.....		
(c) TOTAL LOAN REPAYMENTS (add Lines 19(a) and (b)).....		
20. REFUNDS OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees.....		
(b) Political Party Committees.....		
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....		
(d) TOTAL CONTRIBUTION REFUNDS (add Lines 20(a), (b), and (c)).....		
21. OTHER DISBURSEMENTS.....		
22. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (add Lines 17, 18, 19(c), 20(d), and 21) ▶		

**III. CASH SUMMARY**

23. CASH ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD.....	
24. TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS PERIOD (from Line 16, page 3).....	
25. SUBTOTAL (add Line 23 and Line 24).....	
26. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS THIS PERIOD (from Line 22).....	
27. CASH ON HAND AT CLOSE OF REPORTING PERIOD (subtract Line 26 from Line 25).....	

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

November 6, 2006

Laura Beskar, as Treasurer  
Christensen 4 Congress  
6505 Knollwood Drive  
McKinney, Texas 75070

C00393462  
AF# 1404

Dear Ms. Beskar:

On July 14, 2005, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Christensen 4 Congress and you, as Treasurer ("respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2005 April Quarterly Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$4,500 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

After reviewing the written response and any supplemental information submitted by you and Commission staff, the Reviewing Officer has recommended that the Commission make a final determination in this matter. A copy of the Reviewing Officer's recommendation is attached.

You may file with the Commission Secretary a written response to the recommendation within 10 days of the date of this letter. Your written response should be sent to the Commission Secretary, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. As a result of the anthrax threat in the Washington, DC area, US Postal Service mail delivery to federal agencies, including the Commission, has been interrupted. Until regular mail delivery resumes, you may also file your written response with the Commission Secretary via facsimile (202-208-3333) or by courier at the same address (if you use an overnight delivery service, please use zip code 20004 instead of zip code 20463). Please include the AF # in your response. Your response may not raise any arguments not raised in your original written response or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The Commission will then make a final determination in this matter.

Please contact me at the toll free number 800-424-9530 (press 0, then press 1660) or 202-694-1660 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shawn Woodhead Werth".

Shawn Woodhead Werth  
Reviewing Officer  
Office of Administrative Review

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

COMMISSION  
SECRETARIAT  
December 5, 2006  
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MEMORANDUM

**SENSITIVE**

TO: THE COMMISSION

THROUGH: PATRINA M. CLARK  
STAFF DIRECTOR

*JDG* JOHN D. GIBSON  
ACTING DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM: SHAWN WOODHEAD WERTH  
REVIEWING OFFICER  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

SUBJECT: FINAL DETERMINATION RECOMMENDATION IN AF# 1404 -  
CHRISTENSEN 4 CONGRESS AND LAURA BESKAR, AS  
TREASURER (C00393462)

On July 14, 2005, the Commission found reason to believe that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2005 April Quarterly Report. Because they had not filed the report, the Commission made a preliminary determination, using the estimated level of activity, that the civil money penalty was \$4,500 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

On August 16, 2005, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from the candidate. The respondents did not file the report; however, on October 18, 2005, the Commission received a paper copy of a Termination Report covering July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. Under the report type options is the handwritten notation "All Above." Because the cover letter indicates there has been no activity since September 2004, and the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages and attached schedules are marked with zeros, the "All Above" notation appears to refer to all of the past due quarterly reports.

The 2005 April Quarterly Report is considered not filed for purposes of the civil money penalty calculation. Since the Termination Report indicates that the Committee had no receipts and no disbursements during the 2005 April Quarterly reporting period and the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a) only provides for civil money penalties if the level of activity is \$1.00 or more, no civil money penalty should be assessed.

After reviewing the challenge, the Reviewing Officer recommended in a report dated November 3, 2006 that the Commission make a final determination that they violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity for the April

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Quarterly reporting period (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0. A copy of the Reviewing Officer's recommendation was simultaneously forwarded to the respondents.

Within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation, the respondents may file a written response with the Commission Secretary which may not raise any arguments not raised in the respondents' challenge or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). As of this date, a written response has not been received from the respondents.

**OAR Recommendations**

- (1) Make a final determination in AF# 1404 that Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity for the 2005 April Quarterly reporting period, as reported on the Termination Report received on October 18, 2005 (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$4,500); and
- (2) Send the appropriate letter.

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DATE & TIME OF TRANSMITTAL Wednesday, December 06, 2006 4:00

BALLOT DEADLINE: Monday, December 11, 2006 4:00

COMMISSIONER: LENHARD, MASON, TONER, von SPAKOVSKY, WALTHER, WEINTRAUB

SUBJECT: **Final Determination Recommendation in AF #1404  
Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as  
Treasurer (C00393462). Memorandum from the  
Reviewing Officer Office of Administrative Review  
dated December 5, 2006.**

- I approve the recommendation(s)
- I object to the recommendation(s)
- I am recused from voting.
- No vote by ballot.

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

A definite vote is required. All ballots must be signed and dated. Please return ONLY THE BALLOT to the Commission Secretary. Please return ballot no later than date and time shown above.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
 )  
Final Determination Recommendation in ) AF 1404  
Christensen 4 Congress and Laura )  
Beskar, as Treasurer (C00393462) )

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on December 12, 2006, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in AF 1404:

1. Make a final determination in AF 1404 that Christensen 4 Congress and Laura Beskar, as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and based on the actual level of activity for the 2005 April Quarterly reporting period, as reported on the Termination Report received on October 18, 2005 (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$4,500).
2. Send the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Lenhard, Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

December 12, 2006  
Date

Mary W. Dove  
Mary W. Dove  
Secretary of the Commission

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 13, 2006

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Laura Beskar, as Treasurer  
Christensen 4 Congress  
6505 Knollwood Drive  
McKinney, Texas 75070

ID# C00393462  
AF# 1404

Dear Ms. Beskar:

On July 14, 2005, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Christensen 4 Congress and you, as Treasurer ("the respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2005 April Quarterly Report. By letter dated July 15, 2005, the Commission sent you notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty calculated at RTB of \$4,500 in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On August 16, 2005, the Office of Administrative Review received the written response ("challenge") from the Mr. Christensen challenging the RTB finding.

The Reviewing Officer reviewed the Commission's RTB finding with its supporting documentation and the candidate's written response. Based on this review, the Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission reduce the RTB civil money penalty because it was calculated on an estimated level of activity, make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a), and, based on the actual level of activity for the 2005 April Quarterly reporting period, as reported on the Termination Report received on October 18, 2005 (\$0), reduce the civil money penalty to \$0 in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The basis for the Reviewing Officer's recommendation was included in the Final Determination Report, a copy of which was sent to you on November 6, 2006.

On December 12, 2006, the Commission adopted the Reviewing Officer's recommendation and made a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity on the 2005 Termination Report for the April Quarterly reporting period (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$4,500). It is based on the same factors used to calculate the RTB civil money penalty except that the actual rather than estimated level of activity was used.

If you choose to appeal the final determination, you should submit a written petition, within 30 days of receipt of this letter, to the district court of the United States for the district in

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which the committee or you reside, or transact business, requesting that the final determination be modified or set aside. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(C)(iii). Your failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver of the respondents' right to present such argument in a petition to the district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. The file will be made a part of the public record pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 111.42(b). Although the file must be placed on the public record within 30 days from the date of the Commission's notification, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Shawn Woodhead Werth on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

Sincerely,

  
Michael E. Toner  
Chairman

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THIS IS THE END OF ADMINISTRATIVE FINE CASE # 1404

DATE SCANNED 6/6/07

SCANNER NO. 1

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