

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

# SENSITIVE

January 25, 2021

# MEMORANDUM

TO:	The Commission
THROUGH:	Alec Palmer $AP$ Staff Director
FROM:	Patricia C. Orrock PCO Chief Compliance Officer
BY:	Debbie Chacona $\mathcal{DC}$ Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division $\mathcal{KDR}$ $\mathcal{BH}$ Kristin D. Roser/Ben Holly
	Reports Analysis Division Compliance Branch
SUBJECT:	Reason To Believe Recommendation – 2020 30 Day Post-General Report (Authorized Committees) for the Administrative Fine Program

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2020 30 Day Post-General Report in accordance with 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a). The 30 Day Post-General Report was due on December 3, 2020. The list is comprised of authorized committees whose candidates sought election in the November 3<sup>rd</sup> General Election.

The committees listed on the attached RTB Circulation Report either failed to file the report or filed the report no more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a late filed report). In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties for reports at 11 C.F.R. 111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties highlighted on the attached circulation report.

# Recommendation

1. Find reason to believe that the political committees and their treasurers, in their official capacity, listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(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 letters.

# Federal Election Commission Reason to Believe Circulation Report 2020 POST-GENERAL Not Election Sensitive 12/03/2020 AUTH

AF#	Committee	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Treasurer	Threshold	hold PV Receipt Date		Days Late LOA		RTB Penalty
	ID									
4039	C00709204	ALEXANDRA OWENSBY FOR THE PEOPLE	ALEXANDRA OWENSBY	ALEXANDRA OWENSBY	\$262,653	0		Not Filed	\$32,832 (est)	\$1,267
4040	C00739953	BLAIR FOR CONGRESS 2020	BLAIR NICOLE WALSINGHAM	BLAIR WALSINGHAM	\$275,204	0		Not Filed	\$91,735 (est)	\$5,237
4041	C00723270	BRAD BARRON FOR US SENATE	STEPHEN BRADLEY BARRON	JILL M. BARRON	\$128,789	0		Not Filed	\$128,789 (est)	\$6,735
4042	C00700054	CAMPAIGN TO ELECT ANTOINE PIERCE	ANTOINE PIERCE	ALICE WOODS	\$127,530	0		Not Filed	\$18,219 (est)	\$704
4043	C00739573	CITIZENS FOR JADE SIMMONS	JADE SIMMONS	JADE SIMMONS	\$198,144	0	12/30/2020	27	\$5,190	\$232
4044	C00663435	COMMITTEE TO ELECT MAURO GARZA FOR US CONGRESS	MAURO EVERETT GARZA	IRIS ELIZABETH CASTILLO	\$335,402	2		Not Filed	\$33,540 (est)	\$1,900
4045	C00717025	EMILY ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS	EMILY ROBINSON	EMILY ROBINSON	\$240,480	0		Not Filed	\$120,240 (est)	\$6,735
4046	C00736736	GEORGE MITRIS FOR CONGRESS	GEORGE MITRIS	THOMAS COSTA	\$580,423	0		Not Filed	\$145,106 (est)	\$6,735
4047	C00675546	JANICEK FOR SENATE	CHRIS EDWARD JANICEK	MARK THOMAS NIELSEN	\$301,054	0		Not Filed	\$33,450 (est)	\$1,267
4048	C00725564	LENZI FOR CONGRESS	RAYMOND CARL LENZI	SYLVIA DRAKE	\$266,133	0	12/16/2020	13	\$1,703	\$114
4049	C00731380	ROB ANDERSON FOR LOUISIANA	ROBERT JON ANDERSON	ROBERT JON ANDERSON	\$111,632	0		Not Filed	\$55,816 (est)	\$4,041
4050	C00708073	RONDA KENNEDY FOR CONGRESS 2022	RONDA KENNEDY	MICHAEL WARREN KENNEDY	\$286,340	0		Not Filed	\$40,905 (est)	\$1,267

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# BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)
Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2020	)
30 Day Post-General Report (Authorized	)
Committees) for the Administrative Fine	)
Program:	)
ALEXANDRA OWENSBY FOR THE	) AF# 4039
PEOPLE, and OWENSBY, ALEXANDRA	)
DR. as treasurer;	)
BLAIR FOR CONGRESS 2020, and	) AF# 4040
WALSINGHAM, BLAIR as treasurer;	)
BRAD BARRON FOR US SENATE, and	) AF# 4041
BARRON, JILL M as treasurer;	)
CAMPAIGN TO ELECT ANTOINE	) AF# 4042
PIERCE, and WOODS, ALICE as	)
treasurer;	)
CITIZENS FOR JADE SIMMONS, and	) AF# 4043
SIMMONS, JADE as treasurer;	)
COMMITTEE TO ELECT MAURO	) AF# 4044
GARZA FOR US CONGRESS, and	)
CASTILLO, IRIS ELIZABETH MS. as	)
treasurer;	)
EMILY ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS,	) AF# 4045
and ROBINSON, EMILY as treasurer;	
GEORGE MITRIS FOR CONGRESS, and	) AF# 4046
COSTA, THOMAS MR. as treasurer;	) ) A E# 40.47
JANICEK FOR SENATE, and NIELSEN,	) AF# 4047
MARK THOMAS as treasurer; LENZI FOR CONGRESS, and DRAKE,	) ) AF# 4048
SYLVIA as treasurer;	) Ar# 4048
ROB ANDERSON FOR LOUISIANA, and	) ) AF# 4049
ANDERSON, ROBERT JON as treasurer;	) $A1^{+} + 0 + 9$
RONDA KENNEDY FOR CONGRESS	) ) AF# 4050
2020, and KENNEDY, MICHAEL	)
WARREN as treasurer;	)
With the foundation,	)

Federal Election Commission Certification for Administrative Fines February 1, 2021

# **CERTIFICATION**

I, Laura E. Sinram, Acting Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election

Commission, do hereby certify that on February 1, 2021, the Commission took the

following actions on the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2020 30 Day Post-

General Report (Authorized Committees) for the Administrative Fine Program, as

recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated January 25,

2021, on the following committees:

AF#4039 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ALEXANDRA OWENSBY FOR THE PEOPLE, and OWENSBY, ALEXANDRA DR. in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4040 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that BLAIR FOR CONGRESS 2020, and WALSINGHAM, BLAIR in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4041 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that BRAD BARRON FOR US SENATE, and BARRON, JILL M in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4042 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CAMPAIGN TO ELECT ANTOINE PIERCE, and WOODS, ALICE in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Federal Election Commission Certification for Administrative Fines February 1, 2021

AF#4043 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CITIZENS FOR JADE SIMMONS, and SIMMONS, JADE in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4044 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that COMMITTEE TO ELECT MAURO GARZA FOR US CONGRESS, and CASTILLO, IRIS ELIZABETH MS. in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4045 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that EMILY ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS, and ROBINSON, EMILY in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4046 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that GEORGE MITRIS FOR CONGRESS, and COSTA, THOMAS MR. in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4047 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JANICEK FOR SENATE, and NIELSEN, MARK THOMAS in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4048 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LENZI FOR CONGRESS, and DRAKE, SYLVIA in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

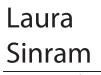
AF#4049 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ROB ANDERSON FOR LOUISIANA, and ANDERSON, ROBERT JON in his official Federal Election Commission Certification for Administrative Fines February 1, 2021

capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#4050 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that RONDA KENNEDY FOR CONGRESS 2020, and KENNEDY, MICHAEL WARREN in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.



Attest:



Digitally signed by Laura Sinram Date: 2021.02.10 19:56:13 -05'00'

Laura E. Sinram Acting Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 17, 2021

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Emily Robinson, in official capacity as Treasurer Emily Robinson for Congress 3849 E Broadway Blvd., 173 Tucson, AZ 85716

C00717025 AF#: 4045

Dear Ms. Robinson,

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file a 30 Day Post-General Report of Receipts and Disbursements in a calendar year during which there is a regularly scheduled general election for which the candidate sought election. This report, covering the period October 15, 2020 through November 23, 2020 shall be filed no later than December 3, 2020. 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a). Because records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that you did not file this report within thirty (30) days of the due date, the report is considered not filed for the purpose of calculating the civil money penalty. You should file this report if you have not already done so.

The Act permits the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a). 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(4). On February 1, 2021, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Emily Robinson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before December 3, 2020. Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 CFR § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$6,735. Please see the attached copy of the Commission's administrative fine regulations at 11 CFR §§ 111.30-111.55. Attachment 1. The Commission's website contains further information about how the administrative fine and how the fines are calculated. program works See https://www.fec.gov/af/pay.shtml 11 CFR § 111.34. Your payment of \$6,735 is due within forty (40) days of the finding, or by March 13, 2021, and is based on these factors:

Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive Level of Activity: \$120,240 Number of Days Late: Not Filed Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

At this juncture, the following courses of action are available to you:

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# 1. If You Choose to Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response to the FEC's Office of Administrative Review. Your response must include the AF# (found at the top of page 1 under your committee's identification number) and be received within forty (40) days of the Commission's RTB finding, or March 13, 2021. 11 CFR § 111.35(a). Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty and 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. 11 CFR § 111.36(c).

Please note, on June 18, 2020, the Federal Election Commission began the initial phase (Phase I) of its return to normal operations. At this stage, the agency's offices will remain closed to visitors and most of its employees will continue to telework in an effort to limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). The Commission is processing some documents submitted by mail, though processing will not occur daily until the agency resumes normal mail operations. Nevertheless, a challenge to an RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty must be received on time. Thus, all written responses and supporting documentation should be converted to PDF (Portable Document Format) and must be emailed to administrativefines@fec.gov. The Commission encourages the use of electronic signatures on electronically submitted documents, but scanned copies of ink signatures will be accepted. Electronically submitted challenges will be deemed received on the date it is electronically received by staff.

The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on at least one of three grounds: (1) a factual error in the RTB finding; (2) miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or (3) your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control. 11 CFR § 111.35(b). For a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 hours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Id. Examples of circumstances that will be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to: (1) a failure of Commission computers or Commission-provided software despite your seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; (2) a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by a failure of the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and (3) severe weather or other disaster-related incident. 11 CFR § 111.35(c). Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to: (1) negligence; (2) delays caused by vendors or contractors; (3) treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; (4) committee

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computer, software, or Internet service provider failures; (5) failure to know filing dates; and (6) failure to use filing software properly. 11 CFR § 111.35(d).

The "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 U.S. District Court under 52 U.S.C. § 30109. 11 CFR § 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.

# 2. If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Money Penalty and Not to Submit a Challenge

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty and do not submit a written response, the FEC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Emily Robinson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(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 CFR § 111.51(a)(2).

#### **3.** If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the calculated civil money penalty, follow the payment instructions on page 4 of this letter. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

# NOTICE REGARDING PARTIAL PAYMENTS AND SETTLEMENT OFFERS

### 4. Partial Payments

If you make a payment in an amount less than the calculated civil money penalty, the amount of your partial payment will be credited towards the full civil money penalty that the Commission assesses upon making a final determination.

# 5. Settlement Offers

Any offer to settle or compromise a debt owed to the Commission, including making a payment in an amount less than the calculated civil money penalty assessed or any restrictive endorsements contained on your check or money order or proposed in

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correspondence transmitted with your check or money order, will be rejected. Acceptance and deposit or cashing of such a restricted payment does not constitute acceptance of the settlement offer. Payments containing restrictive endorsements will be deposited and treated as a partial payment towards the civil money penalty that the Commission assesses upon making a final determination. All unpaid civil money penalty amounts remaining will be subject to the debt collection procedures set forth in Section 2, above.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(2). Unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public, it will remain confidential in accordance with 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(4)(B) and 30109(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on the public record at the conclusion of this matter in accordance with 11 CFR § 111.42.

As noted earlier, you may obtain additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, on the FEC's website at https://www.fec.gov/af/pay.shtml If you have questions regarding the payment of the calculated civil money penalty, please contact Jamie Sikorsky 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. 1158) or (202) 694-1158.

On behalf of the Commission,

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Shana M. Broussard Chair

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 CFR § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at RTB is \$6,735 for the Post-General Report.

You may remit payment by ACH withdrawal from your bank account, or by debit or credit card through Pay.gov, the federal government's secure portal for online collections. Visit <u>www.fec.gov/af/pay.shtml</u> to be directed to Pay.gov's Administrative Fine Program Payment form. Please use the details below to complete the required

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fields. For additional payment options, please contact Jamie Sikorsky in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130.

COMMITTEE NAME: Emily Robinson for Congress

FEC ID#: C00717025

AF#: 4045

PAYMENT DUE DATE: March 13, 2021

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$6,735



By Office of the Commission Secretary at 10:23 am, Oct 27, 2021



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463



October 27, 2021

# MEMORANDUM

THROUGH: Alec Palmer AP Staff Director

FROM: Patricia C. Orrock *PCO* Chief Compliance Officer

> Debbie Chacona DC Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

- BY: Kristin D. Roser/Jamie Sikorsky Reports Analysis Division Compliance Branch
- SUBJECT: Administrative Fine Program Final Determination Recommendation for the 2020 30-Day Post-General Report (Authorized Committees)

Attached are two lists of political committees and their treasurers against which the Commission has found reason to believe (RTB) and assessed proposed civil money penalties calculated at RTB for failure to file or failure to timely file the 2020 30-Day Post-General Report. The first list represents the committees that have paid the civil money penalty and the second list represents the committees that have not paid the civil money penalty. The committees that have not paid have been given at least forty (40) days from the date of the Commission's RTB finding to remit payment.

In accordance with 11 CFR § 111.34 and 11 CFR § 111.40, the Commission shall send a final determination notice to those respondents that have either paid or not paid the civil money penalty.

For your information, one (1) committee disclosed a level of activity after the RTB finding which would result in a lowered civil money penalty. An overview of this case has been provided below.

Janicek for Senate (AF 4047) disclosed no activity after the RTB finding (previously estimated to be \$33,450), which would result in no civil money penalty (fine previously assessed to be \$1,267). The Committee also filed a Miscellaneous Electronic Submission after the RTB

finding stating that the previous Treasurer passed away. As of today, a new Treasurer has not been officially appointed.

# **RAD Recommendation**

- (1) Make a final determination that the political committees and their treasurers, in their official capacity, listed on the attached reports violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalties so indicated.
- (2) Make a final determination that the political committees and its treasurer, in their official capacity, listed on the attached report with no activity, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and will not be assessed a civil money penalty.
- (3) Send the appropriate letters.

# Federal Election Commission FD Circulation Report - Fine Paid 2020 POST-GENERAL Not Election Sensitive 12/03/2020 AUTH

AF#	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Committee ID	Treasurer	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	PV	RTB Date	RTB Penalty	Final Money Penalty	Date Paid	Amount Paid
4043	CITIZENS FOR JADE SIMMONS	JADE SIMMONS	C00739573	JADE SIMMONS	12/30/2020	27	\$5,190	0	2/1/2021	\$232	\$232	6/17/2021	\$232
4044	COMMITTEE TO ELECT MAURO GARZA FOR US CONGRESS	MAURO EVERETT GARZA	C00663435	IRIS ELIZABETH CASTILLO	3/25/2021	*Not Filed	\$133,543	2	2/1/2021	\$1,900	\$1,900	6/29/2021	\$1,900
4048	LENZI FOR CONGRESS	RAYMOND CARL LENZI	C00725564	SYLVIA DRAKE	12/16/2020	13	\$1,703	0	2/1/2021	\$114	\$114	2/26/2021	\$114

\* The committee filed their report more than thirty (30) days after the due date; therefore, the report is considered not filed.

# Federal Election Commission FD Circulation Report - Fine Not Paid 2020 POST-GENERAL Not Election Sensitive 12/03/2020 AUTH

AF#	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Committee ID	Treasurer	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	PV	RTB Date	RTB Penalty	Days Since RTB	FD Penalty
4039	ALEXANDRA OWENSBY FOR THE PEOPLE	ALEXANDRA OWENSBY	C00709204	ALEXANDRA OWENSBY	10/19/2021	*Not Filed	\$59,732	0	2/1/2021	\$1,267	267	\$1,267
4040	BLAIR FOR CONGRESS 2020	BLAIR NICOLE WALSINGHAM	C00739953	BLAIR WALSINGHAM	10/5/2021	*Not Filed	\$81,621	0	2/1/2021	\$5,237	267	\$5,237
4041	BRAD BARRON FOR US SENATE	STEPHEN BRADLEY BARRON	C00723270	JILL M. BARRON		Not Filed	\$128,789 (est)	0	2/1/2021	\$6,735	267	\$6,735
4042	CAMPAIGN TO ELECT ANTOINE PIERCE	ANTOINE PIERCE	C00700054	ALICE WOODS	2/10/2021	*Not Filed	\$21,378	0	2/1/2021	\$704	267	\$704
4045	EMILY ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS	EMILY ROBINSON	C00717025	EMILY ROBINSON		Not Filed	\$120,240 (est)	0	2/1/2021	\$6,735	267	\$6,735
4046	GEORGE MITRIS FOR CONGRESS	GEORGE MITRIS	C00736736	THOMAS COSTA		Not Filed	\$145,106 (est)	0	2/1/2021	\$6,735	267	\$6,735
4047	JANICEK FOR SENATE	CHRIS EDWARD JANICEK	C00675546	OFFICE OF TREASURER		Not Filed	\$0	0	2/1/2021	\$1,267	267	NONE
4049	ROB ANDERSON FOR LOUISIANA	ROBERT JON ANDERSON	C00731380	ROBERT JON ANDERSON		Not Filed	\$55,816 (est)	0	2/1/2021	\$4,041	267	\$4,041
4050	RONDA KENNEDY FOR CONGRESS 2022	RONDA KENNEDY	C00708073	MICHAEL WARREN KENNEDY		Not Filed	\$54,261	0	2/1/2021	\$1,267	267	\$1,267

\* The committee filed their report more than thirty (30) days after the due date; therefore, the report is considered not filed.

# BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)
Administrative Fine Program – Final	)
Determination Recommendation for the	)
2020 30-Day Post-General Report	)
(Authorized Committees):	)
ALEXANDRA OWENSBY FOR THE	) AF# 4039
PEOPLE, and OWENSBY, ALEXANDRA	)
as treasurer;	)
BLAIR FOR CONGRESS 2020, and	) AF# 4040
WALSINGHAM, BLAIR as treasurer;	)
BRAD BARRON FOR US SENATE, and	) AF# 4041
BARRON, JILL M BARRON as treasurer;	)
CAMPAIGN TO ELECT ANTOINE	) AF# 4042
PIERCE, and WOODS, ALICE as	)
treasurer;	)
CITIZENS FOR JADE SIMMONS, and	) AF# 4043
SIMMONS, JADE as treasurer;	)
COMMITTEE TO ELECT MAURO	) AF# 4044
GARZA FOR US CONGRESS, and	)
CASTILLO, IRIS ELIZABETH MS. as	)
treasurer;	)
EMILY ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS,	) AF# 4045
and ROBINSON, EMILY as treasurer;	)
GEORGE MITRIS FOR CONGRESS, and	) AF# 4046
COSTA, THOMAS MR. as treasurer;	)
JANICEK FOR SENATE, and OFFICE OF	) AF# 4047
TREASURER;	)
LENZI FOR CONGRESS, and DRAKE,	) AF# 4048
SYLVIA as treasurer;	)
ROB ANDERSON FOR LOUISIANA, and	) AF# 4049
ANDERSON, ROBERT JON as treasurer;	)
RONDA KENNEDY FOR CONGRESS	) AF# 4050
2022, and KENNEDY, MICHAEL	)
WARREN as treasurer;	)

Federal Election Commission Certification for Administrative Fines October 28, 2021

# **CERTIFICATION**

I, Laura E. Sinram, Acting Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election

Commission, do hereby certify that on October 28, 2021 the Commission took the

following actions on the Administrative Fine Program - Final Determination

Recommendation for the 2020 30-Day Post-General Report (Authorized Committees),

as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated October 27,

2021, on the following committees:

AF#4039 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that ALEXANDRA OWENSBY FOR THE PEOPLE, and OWENSBY, ALEXANDRA in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4040 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that BLAIR FOR CONGRESS 2020, and WALSINGHAM, BLAIR in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4041 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that BRAD BARRON FOR US SENATE, and BARRON, JILL M BARRON in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4042 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that CAMPAIGN TO ELECT ANTOINE PIERCE, and WOODS, ALICE in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote. Federal Election Commission Certification for Administrative Fines October 28, 2021

AF#4043 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that CITIZENS FOR JADE SIMMONS, and SIMMONS, JADE in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did note vote.

AF#4044 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that COMMITTEE TO ELECT MAURO GARZA FOR US CONGRESS, and CASTILLO, IRIS ELIZABETH MS. in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4045 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that EMILY ROBINSON FOR CONGRESS, and ROBINSON, EMILY in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4046 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that GEORGE MITRIS FOR CONGRESS, and COSTA, THOMAS in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4047 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that JANICEK FOR SENATE, and OFFICE OF TREASURER, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and will not be assessed a civil money penalty; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4048 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that LENZI FOR CONGRESS, and DRAKE, SYLVIA in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.

AF#4049 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that ROB ANDERSON FOR LOUISIANA, and ANDERSON, ROBERT JON in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote. Federal Election Commission Certification for Administrative Fines October 28, 2021

AF#4050 Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: (1) make a final determination that RONDA KENNEDY FOR CONGRESS 2022, and KENNEDY, MICHAEL WARREN in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess the final civil money penalty so indicated; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Broussard did not vote.



Attest:

Laura e Sinram Digitally signed by Laura e Sinram Date: 2021.10.29 14:46:26 -04'00'

Laura E. Sinram Acting Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

November 1, 2021

Emily Robinson, in official capacity as Treasurer Emily Robinson for Congress 3849 E Broadway Blvd 173 Tucson, AZ 85716

C00717025 AF#: 4045

Dear Ms. Robinson,

On February 1, 2021, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Emily Robinson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) for filing late or failing to file the 2020 30-Day Post-General Report. By letter dated February 17, 2021, the Commission notified you of the RTB finding and the civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage to be \$6,735 in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 CFR § 111.43. Within forty (40) days of the FEC's RTB finding, you, in your official capacity as treasurer, were required to either transmit payment of the calculated civil money penalty or submit a written response challenging either the RTB finding or the calculated civil money penalty. You must also file the 2020 30-Day Post-General Report if you have not already done so.

The FEC did not receive payment of the calculated civil money penalty or a written response within the time permitted. The FEC made a final determination on October 28, 2021 that Emily Robinson for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assessed a civil money penalty in the amount of \$6,735 in accordance with 11 CFR § 111.43. The civil money penalty is based on these factors:

Election Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive Level of Activity: \$120,240 Number of Days Late: Not Filed Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

At this juncture, the following courses of action are available to you:

# 1. If You Choose to Appeal the Final Determination and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you choose to appeal the final determination, you should submit a written petition, within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, to the U.S. District Court for the

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district in which the committee or you reside, or transact business, requesting that the final determination be modified or set aside. See 52 U.S.C. § 30109(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 52 U.S.C. § 30109. 11 CFR § 111.38.

# 2. If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Money Penalty and Not to Appeal

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 ("DCIA"), 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. If you do not pay this debt within thirty (30) days (or file a written petition to a federal district court - see below), the Commission will transfer the debt to the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") for collection. Within five (5) days of the transfer to Treasury, Treasury will contact you to request payment. Treasury currently charges a fee of 30% of the civil money penalty amount for its collection services. If the age of the debt is greater than or equal to two years old, Treasury will charge a fee of 32% of the civil money penalty amount for its collection services. The fee will be added to the amount of the civil money penalty that you owe. Should Treasury's attempts fail, Treasury will refer the debt to a private collection agency ("PCA"). If the debt remains unpaid, Treasury may recommend that the Commission refer the matter to the Department of Justice for litigation.

Actions which may be taken to enforce recovery of a delinquent debt by Treasury may also include: (1) offset of any payments, which the debtor is due, including tax refunds and salary; (2) referral of the debt to agency counsel for litigation; (3) reporting of the debt to a credit bureau; (4) administrative wage garnishment; and (5) reporting of the debt, if discharged, to the IRS as potential taxable income. In addition, under the provisions of DCIA and other statutes applicable to the FEC, the debtor may be subject to the assessment of other statutory interest, penalties, and administrative costs.

In accordance with the DCIA, at your request, the agency will offer you the opportunity to inspect and copy records relating to the debt, the opportunity for a review of the debt, and the opportunity to enter into a written repayment agreement.

# 3. If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the civil money penalty, follow the payment instructions on page 4 of this letter. You should make payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter.

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# 4. Partial Payments

If you make a payment in an amount less than the civil money penalty, the amount of your partial payment will be credited towards the full civil money penalty that the Commission assessed upon making a final determination.

### 5. Settlement Offers

Any offer to settle or compromise a debt owed to the Commission, including a payment in an amount less than the civil money penalty assessed or any restrictive endorsements contained on your check or money order or proposed in correspondence transmitted with your check or money order, will be rejected. Acceptance and deposit or cashing of such a restricted payment does not constitute acceptance of the settlement offer. Payments containing restrictive endorsements will be deposited and treated as a partial payment towards the civil money penalty that the Commission assessed upon making a final determination. All unpaid civil money penalty amounts remaining will be subject to the debt collection procedures set forth in Section 2, above.

The confidentiality provisions at 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. Pursuant to 11 CFR §§ 111.42(b) and 111.20(c), the file will be placed on the public record within thirty (30) days from the date of this notification.

If you have any questions regarding the payment of the civil money penalty, please contact Jamie Sikorsky at Federal Election Commission, 1050 First St., NE, Washington, DC 20002, or our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt, press 5) or (202) 694-1130.

On behalf of the Commission,

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Shana M. Broussard Chair

## **ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 CFR § 111.43, the civil money penalty is \$6,735 for the 2020 30-Day Post-General Report. The payment is due within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

You may remit payment by ACH withdrawal from your bank account, or by debit or credit card through Pay.gov, the federal government's secure portal for online

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collections. Visit <u>www.fec.gov/af/pay.shtml</u> to be directed to Pay.gov's Administrative Fine Program Payment form. Please use the details below to complete the required fields. For additional payment options, please contact Jamie Sikorsky in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130.

COMMITTEE NAME: Emily Robinson for Congress

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PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$6,735