



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

SENSITIVE

September 23, 2021

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *AP*
Staff Director

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

Debbie Chacona *DC*
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

BY: *KDR* *BH*
Kristin D. Roser/Ben Holly
Reports Analysis Division
Compliance Branch

SUBJECT: Reason To Believe Recommendation – 2021 Mid-Year Report for the
Administrative Fine Program

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2021 Mid-Year Report in accordance with 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a). The Mid-Year Report was due on July 31, 2021.

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
2021 MID-YEAR REPORT Not Election Sensitive 07/31/2021 UNAUTH

AF#	Committee ID	Committee Name	Candidate Name	Treasurer	Threshold	PV	Receipt Date	Days Late	LOA	RTB Penalty
4240	C00699785	MISES PAC		KYLE BURTON	\$279,387	0	8/19/2021	19	\$279,387	\$7,907
4241	C00738237	PEOPLE'S ACTION POWER		BREE CARLSON	\$294,721	0	8/9/2021	9	\$294,721	\$4,927
4242	C00755306	PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO		EDWIN QUINONES	\$328,775	0		Not Filed	\$328,775 (est)	\$11,972
4243	C00522458	TOGETHER WE THRIVE		CHRISTOPHER ZULLO	\$104,451	1		Not Filed	\$104,451 (est)	\$8,418
4244	C00616912	WOMEN VOTE SMART		AMY S. KREMER	\$145,616	3		Not Filed	\$145,616 (est)	\$11,786

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
)	
Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2021)	
Mid-Year Report for the Administrative)	
Fine Program:)	
MISES PAC, and BURTON, KYLE as)	AF# 4240
treasurer;)	
PEOPLE'S ACTION POWER, and)	AF# 4241
CARLSON, BREE as treasurer;)	
PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO, and)	AF# 4242
QUINONES, EDWIN as treasurer;)	
TOGETHER WE THRIVE, and)	AF# 4243
CHRISTOPHER ZULLO as treasurer;)	
WOMEN VOTE SMART, and KREMER,)	AF# 4244
AMY S as treasurer;)	

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura E. Sinram, Acting Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on September 27, 2021 the Commission took the following actions on the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2021 Mid-Year Report for the Administrative Fine Program, as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated September 23, 2021, on the following committees:

AF#4240 Decided by a vote of 4-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MISES PAC, and BURTON, KYLE in their 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 Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioners Broussard and Cooksey did not vote.

Federal Election Commission
Certification for Administrative Fines
September 27, 2021

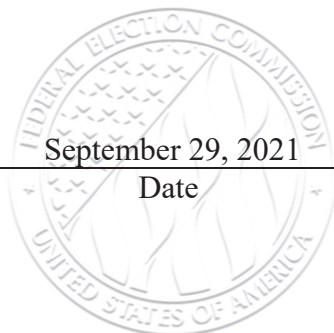
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AF#4241 Decided by a vote of 4-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that PEOPLE'S ACTION POWER, and CARLSON, BREE in their official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioners Broussard and Cooksey did not vote.

AF#4242 Decided by a vote of 4-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO, and QUINONES, EDWIN in their 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 Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioners Broussard and Cooksey did not vote.

AF#4243 Decided by a vote of 4-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that TOGETHER WE THRIVE, and CHRISTOPHER ZULLO in their 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 Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioners Broussard and Cooksey did not vote.

AF#4244 Decided by a vote of 4-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that WOMEN VOTE SMART, and KREMER, AMY S in their 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 Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioners Broussard and Cooksey did not vote.



Attest:

Laura e
Sinram

Laura E. Sinram
Acting Secretary and Clerk of the
Commission

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e Sinram
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

AF

September 30, 2021

Edwin Quinones, in official capacity as Treasurer
Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro
P.O. Box 192602
San Juan, PR 00919

C00755306

AF#: 4242

Dear Mr. Quinones,

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file a Mid-Year Report of Receipts and Disbursements in any calendar year other than one during which a regularly scheduled general election is held. This report, covering the period January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, shall be filed no later than July 31, 2021. 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. § 30109g(a)(4). On September 27, 2021, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro 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 July 31, 2021. 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 \$11,972. 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 program works and how the fines are calculated. See <https://www.fec.gov/af/pay.shtml> 11 CFR § 111.34. Your payment of \$11,972 is due within forty (40) days of the finding, or by November 6, 2021, and is based on these factors:

Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive
Level of Activity: \$328,775
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 November 6, 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, the Federal Election Commission's office remains closed to visitors and most of its employees are continuing 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 computer, software, or Internet service provider failures; (5) failure to know filing dates;

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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 Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro 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 correspondence transmitted with your check or money order, will be rejected.

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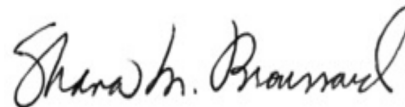
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Acceptance and deposit or cashing of such a restricted payment does not constitute acceptance of the settlement offer. Payments containing restrictive endorsements will be deposited and treated as a partial payment towards the civil money penalty that 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,



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 \$11,972 for the 2021 Mid-Year 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 www.fec.gov/af/pay.shtml 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

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Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130.

COMMITTEE NAME: Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro

FEC ID#: C00755306

AF#: 4242

PAYMENT DUE DATE: November 6, 2021

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$11,972

EDWIN QUIÑONES
CALLE RESOLUCION #33
CHUBB BUILDING PISO 7
SUITE 701-A
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO 00920
EMAIL: equinones@qaclaw.com; Telf. (787) 620-6776

February 7, 2022

Certified mail

Ms. Shana M. Broussard
Federal Election Commission
1050 First St. NE
Washington, DC 20463

Re: C00755306
AF # 4242

Dear Ms. Broussard:

We have received on the week of January 31, 2022 a Priority Mail Express envelope with a letter dated September 30, 2021 directed to the undersigned as Treasures of Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro.

In said letter, in addition to a fine in the amount of \$11,972.00 due back on November 6, 2021, it is stated that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro did not file its Mid – Year Report, concerning the period January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

In response to said letter and requested reports permit the undersign to state that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro had filed its Termination Report (FEC FORM 3X) that is included, on January 18, 2021 concerning the period of January 18, 2021, duly filed at the Federal Election Commission thereby concluding its filing requirements for Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro, before the Federal Election Commission.

In addition I am hereby also including a copy of the Request for dissolution filed with the Puerto Rico Electoral Controller (SDC2021-00022) on January 18, 2021, thereby concluding any and all efforts by Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and dissolving its existences.

In accordance we hereby respectfully challenge the imposition of the conclusion pertaining to the non filing of the report and imposed fine to Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro. Please make reference to the included documents:

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- FEC FORM 31 Report of Receipts and Disbursement (Termination Report) concerning period January 1, 2021 – January 18, 2021 dated by the undersigned as January 18, 2021.
- Solicitud de disolución de Comité – Oficina del Contralor Electoral (Puerto Rico) SDC-2021-00022 dated, January 18, 2021 dissolved Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro.

Respectfully submitted

Edwin Quiñones
 Treasure
 Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby swear and sign this statement in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on this February 8th, 2022.

Edwin Quiñones

Affidavit Number: 08

SWORN and SUBSCRIBED before me by Edwin Quiñones with the aforesaid personal circumstances and whom I concern know personally, in San Juan, Puerto Rico on this 8th day of February 8, 2022.



[Signature] 55-21879
 Notary Public

Solicitud de disolución de comité

Información general

Estatus	Número	Fecha de solicitud
Sometida	SDC-2021-00022	18/ene/2021

Comité	Fecha de efectividad
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Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro	18/ene/2021
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Razón

Cierre de comité

¿El comité proyecta recibir donativos, realizar gastos o tiene deudas pendientes de pago?

☒ Sí ☐ No

¿Posee propiedad mueble o inmueble?

☒ Sí ☐ No

Documentos

¿Entregará documentos físicamente?

☒ Sí ☐ No

Nombre del archivo

Carta de Cierre.pdf

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Confirmación



Su solicitud de disolución de comité ha sido presentada. Se le notificará cualquier cambio de estatus en su solicitud.

- Número de solicitud: **SDC-2021-00022**
- Nombre del comité: **Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro**
- Número de comité: **DO-2020-00213**
- Fecha de solicitud: **18/ene/2021**



**FEC
FORM 3X****REPORT OF RECEIPTS
AND DISBURSEMENTS**
For Other Than An Authorized Committee

Office Use Only

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full) TYPE OR PRINT ▼ Example: If typing, type over the lines. 12FE4M5

PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

ADDRESS (number and street)

PO Box 192602

Check if different
than previously
reported. (ACC)

San Juan

PR

00919

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

C C00755306

3. IS THIS
REPORTNEW
(N)

OR

AMENDED
(A)

4. TYPE OF REPORT

(Choose One)

(a) Quarterly Reports:

☐ April 15
Quarterly Report (Q1)

☐ July 15
Quarterly Report (Q2)

☐ October 15
Quarterly Report (Q3)

☐ January 31
Year-End Report (YE)

☐ July 31 Mid-Year
Report (Non-election
Year Only) (MY)

☒ Termination Report
(TER)
(b) Monthly
Report
Due On:☐ Feb 20 (M2)☐ May 20 (M5)☐ Aug 20 (M8)☐ Nov 20 (M11)
(Non-Election
Year Only)☐ Mar 20 (M3)☐ Jun 20 (M6)☐ Sep 20 (M9)☐ Dec 20 (M12)
(Non-Election
Year Only)☐ Apr 20 (M4)☐ Jul 20 (M7)☐ Oct 20 (M10)☐ Jan 31 (YE)

(c) 12-Day

PRE-Election

Report for the:

☐ Primary (12P)☐ Convention (12C)☐ General (12G)☐ Special (12S)☐ Runoff (12R)

Election on

in the
State of

(d) 30-Day

POST-Election

Report for the:

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

Election on

in the
State of

5. Covering Period

MM / DD / YYYY
01 / 01 / 2021

through

MM / DD / YYYY
01 / 18 / 2021

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

Quinones, Edwin, , ,

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Signature of Treasurer

Quinones, Edwin, , ,

Date

MM / DD / YYYY
01 / 18 / 2021

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 52 U.S.C. § 30109.

Office
Use
Only**FEC FORM 3X**
Rev. 05/2016

SUMMARY PAGE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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Write or Type Committee Name

PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

Report Covering the Period: From: MM / DD / YYYY 01 / 01 / 2021 To: MM / DD / YYYY 01 / 18 / 2021

	COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
6. (a) Cash on Hand <small>Y Y Y Y</small> January 1, 2021		- 1.04
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period.....	- 1.04	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 19)	3.07	3.07
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)	2.03	2.03
7. Total Disbursements (from Line 31)	2.03	2.03
8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	0.00	0.00
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)	0.00	
10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)	0.00	

This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

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

PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

Report Covering the Period: From: 01 / 01 / 2021 To: 01 / 18 / 2021

I. Receipts	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
11. Contributions (other than loans) From:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees		
(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....	0.00	0.00
(ii) Unitemized	3.07	3.07
(iii) TOTAL (add Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii)).....▶	3.07	3.07
(b) Political Party Committees	0.00	0.00
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
(d) Total Contributions (add Lines 11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry Totals to Line 33, page 5)	3.07	3.07
12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
13. All Loans Received	0.00	0.00
14. Loan Repayments Received.....	0.00	0.00
15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.) (Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....	0.00	0.00
16. Refunds of Contributions Made to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees.....	0.00	0.00
17. Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.).....	0.00	0.00
18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds		
(a) Non-Federal Account (from Schedule H3).....	0.00	0.00
(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5)	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..	0.00	0.00
19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d), 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶	3.07	3.07
20. Total Federal Receipts (subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19)	3.07	3.07

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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II. Disbursements	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
21. Operating Expenditures:		
(a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)		
(i) Federal Share	0.00	0.00
(ii) Non-Federal Share.....	0.00	0.00
(b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b))	0.00	0.00
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees.....	0.00	0.00
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)	0.00	0.00
25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (52 U.S.C. § 30116(d)) (use Schedule F).....	0.00	0.00
26. Loan Repayments Made.....	0.00	0.00
27. Loans Made.....	0.00	0.00
28. Refunds of Contributions To:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees	0.00	0.00
(b) Political Party Committees	0.00	0.00
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
(d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)).....	0.00	0.00
29. Other Disbursements (Including Non-Federal Donations).....	2.03	2.03
30. Federal Election Activity (52 U.S.C. § 30101(20))		
(a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6)		
(i) Federal Share	0.00	0.00
(ii) "Levin" Share.....	0.00	0.00
(b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b))	0.00	0.00
31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) ..	2.03	2.03
32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31).....	2.03	2.03

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III. Net Contributions/ Operating Expenditures	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
33. Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11(d), page 3)	3.07	3.07
34. Total Contribution Refunds (from Line 28(d))	0.00	0.00
35. Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract Line 34 from Line 33)	3.07	3.07
36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b))	0.00	0.00
37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 15, page 3).....	0.00	0.00
38. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 37 from Line 36)	0.00	0.00

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION		COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
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PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

ADDRESS (number and street)

PO Box 192602

Check if different
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San Juan

PR

00919

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

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

Quinones, Edwin, , ,

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Signature of Treasurer

Quinones, Edwin, , ,

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PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

Report Covering the Period:

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To:

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I. Receipts	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
11. Contributions (other than loans) From:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees		
(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....	0.00	0.00
(ii) Unitemized	3.07	3.07
(iii) TOTAL (add Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii)).....▶	3.07	3.07
(b) Political Party Committees	0.00	0.00
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
(d) Total Contributions (add Lines 11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry Totals to Line 33, page 5)	3.07	3.07
12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
13. All Loans Received	0.00	0.00
14. Loan Repayments Received.....	0.00	0.00
15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.) (Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....	0.00	0.00
16. Refunds of Contributions Made to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees.....	0.00	0.00
17. Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.).....	0.00	0.00
18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds		
(a) Non-Federal Account (from Schedule H3)	0.00	0.00
(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5)	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..	0.00	0.00
19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d), 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c))	3.07	3.07
20. Total Federal Receipts (subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19)	3.07	3.07

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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II. Disbursements	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
21. Operating Expenditures:		
(a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)		
(i) Federal Share	0.00	0.00
(ii) Non-Federal Share.....	0.00	0.00
(b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b))	0.00	0.00
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees.....	0.00	0.00
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)	0.00	0.00
25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (52 U.S.C. § 30116(d)) (use Schedule F).....	0.00	0.00
26. Loan Repayments Made.....	0.00	0.00
27. Loans Made.....	0.00	0.00
28. Refunds of Contributions To:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees	0.00	0.00
(b) Political Party Committees	0.00	0.00
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
(d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)).....	0.00	0.00
29. Other Disbursements (Including Non-Federal Donations).....	2.03	2.03
30. Federal Election Activity (52 U.S.C. § 30101(20))		
(a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6)		
(i) Federal Share	0.00	0.00
(ii) "Levin" Share.....	0.00	0.00
(b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b))	0.00	0.00
31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) ..	2.03	2.03
32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31).....	2.03	2.03

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III. Net Contributions/ Operating Expenditures	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
33. Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11(d), page 3)	3.07	3.07
34. Total Contribution Refunds (from Line 28(d))	0.00	0.00
35. Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract Line 34 from Line 33)	3.07	3.07
36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b))	0.00	0.00
37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 15, page 3).....	0.00	0.00
38. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 37 from Line 36)	0.00	0.00



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 2, 2022

REVIEWING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW (“OAR”)

AF# 4242 – Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer (C00755306)

Summary of Recommendation

Make a final determination that the respondents violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess no civil money penalty.

Reason-to-Believe Background

The 2021 Mid-Year Report was due on July 31, 2021. The respondents have not yet filed the report. The report is not election sensitive and was not filed within 30 days of the due date; therefore, the report is considered not filed. 11 C.F.R. §§ 111.43(d)(1) and (e)(1).

On September 27, 2021, the Commission found reason to believe (“RTB”) that the respondents violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) for failing to timely file the 2021 Mid-Year Report and made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$11,972 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. A letter was mailed to the respondents’ email address of record from the Reports Analysis Division (“RAD”) on September 30, 2021 to notify them of the Commission’s RTB finding and civil money penalty.

Legal Requirements

The Federal Election Campaign Act (“Act”) states that the treasurer of a political committee not authorized by a candidate which is filing on a quarterly basis shall file, in a non-election year, a report for the period ending June 30 no later than July 31. 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(c)(2)(i). Reports electronically filed must be received and validated at or before 11:59 pm Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on the filing deadline to be timely filed. 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.19(c) and 104.5(e). The treasurer shall be personally responsible for the timely filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d).

Summary of Respondents' Challenge

On March 11, 2022, the Commission received the written response (“challenge”) from the respondents. The Treasurer indicates the Committee was not required to file the 2021 Mid-Year Report because they had previously filed a termination report with the Commission on January 18, 2021. On the same date, the Committee also filed a request for dissolution with the Puerto Rico Electoral Controller, “hereby concluding any and all efforts by Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and dissolving its existences.” The challenge includes supporting documents.

Analysis

In response to the Committee’s contention that it filed a termination report on January 18, 2021, the Reviewing Officer requested evidence to support the report was successfully delivered or transmitted to the FEC. The Committee reviewed its records and explained that until recently, it was the Committee’s understanding that its accountant successfully filed a termination report on January 18, 2021. While the Committee’s records indicate the termination report was prepared on that date, the Committee had no evidence to suggest the report was successfully transmitted to the FEC.¹

The Reviewing Officer recognizes the Committee may have become inactive in early 2021. However, a committee’s filing obligation ends only when a committee files a termination report, and the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted. 11 C.F.R § 102.3.² Therefore, the respondents were required to file the 2021 Mid-Year Report on July 31, 2021.

At the time of the RTB finding, the Commission used an estimated level of activity (\$328,775) to calculate the penalty because the 2021 Mid-Year Report had not yet been filed. 11 C.F.R § 111.43(d)(2)(ii). On April 21, 2022, the Committee filed a Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) disclosing a level of activity of \$0 for the reporting period. 11 C.F.R § 111.43(d)(3)(ii). The activity was disclosed 264 days late and is considered not filed. 11 C.F.R § 111.43(e)(1). Using the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R § 111.43(a) for not election sensitive reports, no penalty should be assessed for a level of activity of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$11,972).

The Reviewing Officer recommends that the Commission make a final determination that the respondents violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess no civil money penalty.

¹ On 4/14/22, the Commission received the Termination Report covering 1/1/21 – 1/18/21.

² See <https://www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/terminating-a-committee/>

OAR Recommendations

1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 4242 involving Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
2. Make a final determination in AF# 4242 that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$11,972); and
3. Send the appropriate letter.

Attachments

Attachment 1 –

Attachment 2 –

Attachment 3 – Declaration from RAD

Attachment 4 – Declaration from OAR

DECLARATION OF KRISTIN D. ROSER

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 initial processing of 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. It is the practice of the Reports Analysis Division to document all calls to or from committees regarding a letter they receive or any questions relating to the FECFile software or administrative fine regulations, including due dates of reports and filing requirements.
3. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro:
 - A) Non-Filer Letter, dated August 16, 2021, referencing the 2021 Mid-Year Report (sent via electronic mail to: puertoricomejorfuturo@gmail.com);
 - B) Reason-to-Believe Letter, dated September 30, 2021, referencing the 2021 Mid-Year Report (sent via electronic mail to: puertoricomejorfuturo@gmail.com and equinones@qaclaw.com);
 - C) Termination Denial Letter, dated April 26, 2022, referencing the Termination Report covering January 1, 2021 through January 18, 2021 (sent via electronic mail to: puertoricomejorfuturo@gmail.com)
4. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission’s public records and find that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro has not yet filed the 2021 Mid-Year Report with the Commission.
5. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that all relevant telecoms for the matter have been provided. This declaration was executed on the 29th day of April 2022.

Kristin D. Roser

Kristin D. Roser
Chief, Compliance Branch
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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August 16, 2021

QUINONES, EDWIN, TREASURER
PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO
PO BOX 192602
SAN JUAN, PR 00919

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00755306

REFERENCE: MID-YEAR REPORT REPORT (01/01/2021 - 06/30/2021)

Dear Treasurer:

It has come to the attention of the Federal Election Commission that you may have failed to file the above referenced report of receipts and disbursements or failed to file a report covering the entire reporting period as required by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended. 52 U.S.C. §30104(a)

It is important that you file this report immediately with the Federal Election Commission, 1050 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002. Please note, the Federal Election Commission's office remains closed to visitors and most of its employees are continuing to telework in an effort to limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). The Commission is processing campaign finance reports filed by mail, though processing will not occur on a daily basis until the agency resumes normal mail operations. As a result, paper filers may continue to receive non-filer letters. Nevertheless, filers should continue to file their reports on time. Reports sent by registered mail, overnight delivery, or certified mail, are considered filed with the FEC as of the date of the postmark. Reports submitted by first-class mail will be considered filed when actually received by Commission staff, subject to delays resulting from the agency's limited mail processing. The Commission will not be able to receive or process reports filed by courier service at this time. The FEC does not have statutory authority to extend filing deadlines, but it may choose not to pursue administrative fines against filers prevented from filing by reasonably unforeseen circumstances beyond their control. See 11 CFR 111.35.

Please note that electronic filers must submit their reports electronically, as per 11 CFR §104.18. A copy of the report must also be filed with the Secretary of State or equivalent State officer unless the State is exempt from the federal requirement to receive and maintain paper copies. You can verify the Commission's receipt of any documents submitted by your committee on the FEC website at www.fec.gov.

The failure to timely file this report may result in civil money penalties, suspension of matching funds payments, an audit or legal enforcement action. The civil money penalty

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calculation for late reports does not include a grace period and begins on the day following the due date for the report. Due to heightened security screening measures, delivery of mail by the US Postal Service may be delayed. The Commission recommends that you submit your report via overnight delivery or courier service.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Jamie Sikorsky in the Reports Analysis Division on our toll-free number (800)424-9530. The analyst's direct number is (202)694-1137.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Chacona".

Deborah Chacona
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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April 26, 2022

EDWIN QUINONES, TREASURER
PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO
PO BOX 192602
SAN JUAN, PR 00919

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00755306

Dear Treasurer:

On April 14, 2022, you filed a report requesting that the Federal Election Commission permit Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro (C00755306) to terminate pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 30103(d) and 11 CFR § 102.3 of the Commission's Regulations. Because of an administrative fines matter involving your committee, your termination request has been denied.

Your committee must continue to file all required reports with the Commission. You will be notified when your request to terminate has been granted and your committee is no longer required to file reports with the Commission. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Jamie Sikorsky on our toll free number at (800) 424-9530. Her local number is (202) 694-1137.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debbie Chacona".

Debbie Chacona
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

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DECLARATION OF RHIANNON MAGRUDER

- 1) I am the Reviewing Officer in the Office of Administrative Review for the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Reviewing Officer, I conduct research with respect to all challenges submitted in accordance with the Administrative Fine program.
- 2) Political committees not authorized by a candidate which are filing on a quarterly basis shall file, in a non-election year, a report for the period ending June 30 no later than July 31. Reports filed electronically must be received and validated at or before 11:59 pm, Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on July 31, 2021 for the 2021 Mid-Year Report to be timely filed.
- 3) I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and that the documents identified herein are the true and accurate copies of:
 - a) Cover Page, Summary Page, and Detailed Summary Pages of the Termination Report filed by Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro. The report includes the coverage period of January 1, 2021 through January 18, 2021 and was electronically filed on April 14, 2022.
 - b) FEC Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) filed by Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro on April 21, 2022.
- 4) 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 on the 2nd day of May, 2022.



Rhiannon Magruder
Reviewing Officer
Office of Administrative Review
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San Juan

PR

00919

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

Quinones, Edwin, , ,

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

Signature of Treasurer

Quinones, Edwin, , ,

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of Receipts

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Write or Type Committee Name

PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

Report Covering the Period:

From:

M M / D D / Y Y Y Y Y
01 01 2021

To:

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01 18 2021**I. Receipts****COLUMN A**
Total This Period**COLUMN B**
Calendar Year-to-Date

11. Contributions (other than loans) From:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other

Than Political Committees

(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....

0.00

0.00

(ii) Unitemized

3.07

3.07

(iii) TOTAL (add

Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii).....▶

3.07

3.07

(b) Political Party Committees

0.00

0.00

(c) Other Political Committees

(such as PACs).....

0.00

0.00

(d) Total Contributions (add Lines

11(a)(iii), (b), and (c)) (Carry

Totals to Line 33, page 5).....▶

3.07

3.07

12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other

Party Committees.....

0.00

0.00

13. All Loans Received

0.00

0.00

14. Loan Repayments Received.....

0.00

0.00

15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures

(Refunds, Rebates, etc.)

(Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....

0.00

0.00

16. Refunds of Contributions Made

to Federal Candidates and Other

Political Committees.....

0.00

0.00

17. Other Federal Receipts

(Dividends, Interest, etc.).....

0.00

0.00

18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds

(a) Non-Federal Account

(from Schedule H3).....

0.00

0.00

(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5)

0.00

0.00

(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..

0.00

0.00

19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d),
12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶

3.07

3.07

20. Total Federal Receipts

(subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19).....▶

3.07

3.07

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II. Disbursements	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
21. Operating Expenditures:		
(a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)		
(i) Federal Share	0.00	0.00
(ii) Non-Federal Share.....	0.00	0.00
(b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b))	0.00	0.00
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees.....	0.00	0.00
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)	0.00	0.00
25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (52 U.S.C. § 30116(d)) (use Schedule F).....	0.00	0.00
26. Loan Repayments Made.....	0.00	0.00
27. Loans Made.....	0.00	0.00
28. Refunds of Contributions To:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees	0.00	0.00
(b) Political Party Committees	0.00	0.00
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
(d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c)).....	0.00	0.00
29. Other Disbursements (Including Non-Federal Donations).....	2.03	2.03
30. Federal Election Activity (52 U.S.C. § 30101(20))		
(a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6)		
(i) Federal Share	0.00	0.00
(ii) "Levin" Share.....	0.00	0.00
(b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds	0.00	0.00
(c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b))	0.00	0.00
31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) ..	2.03	2.03
32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31).....	2.03	2.03

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III. Net Contributions/ Operating Expenditures	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
33. Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11(d), page 3)	3.07	3.07
34. Total Contribution Refunds (from Line 28(d))	0.00	0.00
35. Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract Line 34 from Line 33)	3.07	3.07
36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b))▶	0.00	0.00
37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 15, page 3).....	0.00	0.00
38. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 37 from Line 36)▶	0.00	0.00

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

PUERTO RICO MEJOR FUTURO

FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

C00755306

Mailing Address PO BOX 192602

City

SAN JUAN

State

PR

ZIP Code

00919

In representation of Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro (PRMF) (C00755306), we would like to inform that the committee had NO financial activity for the reporting period of January 19th, 2021 through March 31st, 2022.



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 2, 2022

Edwin Quinones, in official capacity as Treasurer
Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro
PO Box 192602
San Juan, PR 00919

C00755306
AF# 4242

Dear Mr. Quinones:

On September 27, 2021, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) for failing to file the 2021 Mid-Year Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$11,972 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

After reviewing your written response and any supplemental information submitted by you and Commission staff, the Reviewing Officer has recommended that the Commission make a final determination and assess no civil money penalty. 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. Please note, all written responses and supporting documentation should be converted to PDF (Portable Document Format) and emailed to the Commission Secretary at secretary@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 responses will be deemed received on the date it is electronically received by staff. 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 202-694-1158 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rhiannon Magruder
Rhiannon Magruder

Reviewing Officer
Office of Administrative Review

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By Office of the Commission Secretary at 3:39 pm, May 16, 2022

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463**SENSITIVE**

May 16, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: The Commission

Through: Alec Palmer *AP*
Staff Director

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

Rhiannon Magruder *RM*
Reviewing Officer
Office of Administrative Review

Subject: Final Determination Recommendation in AF# 4242 – Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer (C00755306)

On September 27, 2021, the Commission found reason to believe (“RTB”) that the respondents violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) for failing to timely file the 2021 Mid-Year Report and made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$11,972 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On March 11, 2022, the Commission received their written response (“challenge”). After reviewing the challenge, the Reviewing Officer Recommendation (“ROR”) dated May 2, 2022 was forwarded to the Commission, a copy was forwarded to the respondents, and is hereby incorporated by reference. The Reviewing Officer confirmed the Committee’s requirement to file the 2021 Mid-Year Report and recommended that the Commission recalculate the civil money penalty because, after RTB, the Committee disclosed no activity for the reporting period. *See* ROR. The Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that the respondents violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$11,972).

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 their challenge or not directly responsive to the ROR. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The respondents have since indicated they will not be submitting a response.

OAR Recommendations

1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 4242 involving Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
2. Make a final determination in AF# 4242 that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$11,972); and
3. Send the appropriate letter.

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) AF 4242
 Final Determination Recommendation:)
 Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin)
 Quinones, in their official capacity as)
 Treasurer (C00755306))

CERTIFICATION

I, Vicktoria J. Allen, Acting Deputy Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on May 25, 2022, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in AF 4242:

1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 4242 involving Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination.
2. Make a final determination in AF# 4242 that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and Edwin Quinones, in their official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) and assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$11,972).
3. Send the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:



Vicktoria J Allen

Digitally signed by Vicktoria J Allen
 Date: 2022.05.25 18:05:07 -04'00'

Vicktoria J. Allen
 Acting Deputy Secretary of the
 Commission



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

May 31, 2022

Edwin Quinones, in official capacity as Treasurer
Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro
PO Box 192602
San Juan, PR 00919

C00755306
AF# 4242

Dear Mr. Quinones:

On September 27, 2021, the Federal Election Commission (“the Commission”) found reason to believe (“RTB”) that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a) for failing to file the 2021 Mid-Year Report. By letter dated September 30, 2021, the Commission sent notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty calculated at \$11,972 in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On March 11, 2022, the Office of Administrative Review received your written response challenging the RTB finding.

The Reviewing Officer reviewed the Commission’s RTB finding with its supporting documentation and your written response. Based on this review, the Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission reduce the RTB civil money penalty because it was calculated using an estimated level of activity, make a final determination that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a), and based on the actual level of activity disclosed for the 2021 Mid-Year Report coverage period (\$0), assess no civil money penalty in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The Reviewing Officer Recommendation was sent to you on May 2, 2022.

On May 25, 2022, the Commission adopted the Reviewing Officer’s recommendation and made a final determination that Puerto Rico Mejor Futuro and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a), and based on the level of activity disclosed for the 2021 Mid-Year Report coverage period (\$0), assessed no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$11,972). It is based on the same factors used to calculate the civil money penalty at RTB except that the actual level of activity, rather than the estimated level of activity, was used. A copy of the Final Determination Recommendation is attached.

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

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Rhiannon Magruder on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1158) or (202) 694-1158.

On behalf of the Commission,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Allen Dickerson", is written over a horizontal line.

Allen Dickerson
Chairman