



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

February 5, 2001

Paul Murphy, Esq.
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Dear Mr. Murphy:

Enclosed is a signed copy of the agreement incorporating the terms negotiated by the Federal Election Commission (FEC) and Nicole McLaughlin, representing PROCHOICE VOTER, the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion and the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion PAC. This agreement, which was approved by the Federal Election Commission on January 31, 2001, resolves case ADR 002/MUR 4883.

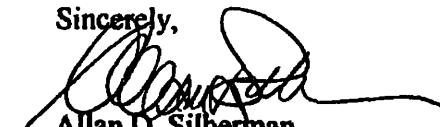
As you are aware, the settlement agreement along with documents exchanged between your office and the FEC, prior to the commencement of negotiations, will be made part of the record that is released to the public. The Commission is obliged by Federal statute to make public all settlement agreements. Accordingly, the file on this case, including the above mentioned documents, will be forwarded later this month to the FEC's Public Information Office.

We look forward to receiving the payment noted in paragraph three (3) of the enclosed agreement within the next twenty (20) days. Please have payment made payable to the Federal Election Commission.

This agreement effectively resolves the issues raised in the complaint filed against the respondents, listed in paragraph one of this letter, which is the subject of this case.

I appreciate the assistance of Nicole McLaughlin and your office in resolving this matter and helping to bring this case to a mutually satisfactory conclusion.

Sincerely,



Allan D. Silberman,
Director, ADR Office

Enclosure



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Case Number ADR 002
Source MUR 4883
Case Name Westchester Coalition
for Legal Abortion, Inc

NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT

This matter was initiated by a signed, sworn and notarized complaint filed by Aldo V. Vitagliano, Esq. Following a review of the record and in an effort to promote compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the FECA"), and to resolve this matter, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") entered into negotiations with Nicole M. McLaughlin, Esq., on behalf of PROCHOICE VOTER ("the Respondent") and Candyce Corcoran, its treasurer, the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion, Inc. ("WCLA") and its treasurer, Joseph Melhado, and the Westchester Coalition for Legal Abortion PAC, ("WCLA-PAC") and its treasurer, Adam Bradley. It is understood that this agreement will have no precedential value relative to any other matters coming before the Commission.


Negotiations between the Commission and the Respondent have addressed all the issues raised in this matter. The parties have agreed to resolve the matter according to the following terms:

1. The Commission has entered into this agreement as part of its responsibility for administering the Federal Election Campaign Act and in an effort to promote compliance with the FECA on the part of the Respondent. The Commission's use of ADR procedures is authorized in "The Administrative Dispute Resolution Act of 1996", 5 U.S.C. § 572 and is an extension of 2 U.S.C. § 437g.
2. The Respondent has voluntarily entered into this agreement with the Commission.
3. WCLA, an incorporated nonprofit organization, acknowledges engaging in activities that were allegedly prohibited contributions to federal candidates during the 1998 federal election cycle. In order to avoid further discourse regarding these contributions and other related activities, WCLA will pay a civil penalty of one thousand one hundred seventeen dollars and seventy cents (\$1,117.70). The latter payment is made to settle the subject complaint and shall not constitute or be considered an admission on the part of WCLA or WCLA-PAC.
4. WCLA-PAC is a political committee registered with New York State. It is not registered with the FEC since it maintains it does not meet the conditions identified in 11 C.F.R. § 100.5 for political committees involved in Federal elections. Nevertheless, WCLA-PAC concurs in the terms set forth in this agreement.

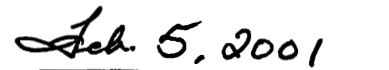
5. The Respondent, a federally registered political committee, will continue to file the required reports per 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4), and, will file, if and when appropriate, a termination report with the Commission when concluding its activities.
6. The parties agree that if the Respondent fails to comply with the terms of this settlement, the Commission may undertake civil action in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia to secure compliance.
7. This agreement will become effective on the date signed by all the parties and approved by the Commission. The Respondent shall comply with the terms set forth in paragraph three (3) above within twenty (20) days from the date this agreement is approved by the Commission.
8. This Negotiated Settlement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on MUR 4883 and effectively resolves this matter. No other statement, promise or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party, not included in herein, shall be enforceable.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

Allan D. Silberman,
Director Alternative Dispute Resolution Office



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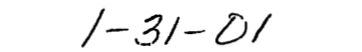


Date

FOR THE RESPONDENT,
WCLA and WCLA-PAC:



(Name)
(Position) Counsel



Date