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October 5, 2000

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Jeff S. Jordan
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RE: MUR 5093

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Enclosed please find written responses from Dennis J. Kearney, Bernadette L. Kearney and John A. Nadas, Managing Partner of Choate, Hall & Stewart, to the Commission's September 18, 2000 correspondence on the above-referenced matter.

Also enclosed please find copies of confirmatory correspondence from the campaign committees of Senator Kennedy, Congressman Markey and Congressman Neal on the same matter.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Dennis J. Kearney
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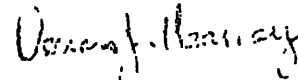
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by assuring the Commission that I do not receive reimbursement for any of my contributions from my employer or anyone else.

I hope that this is a sufficient demonstration in writing that no action should be taken against my wife, my employer or me. Further, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 5, 2000.

Very truly yours,



Dennis J. Kearney

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Bernadette L. Kearney
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Re: MUR 5093

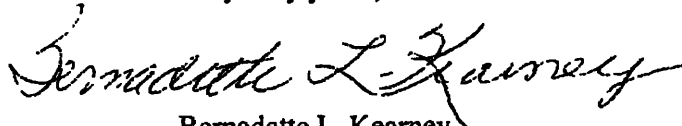
Dear Mr. Jordan:

I am writing in response to your letter dated September 18, 2000 regarding a complaint made against me, my husband and my husband's employer.

I have been informed that my political contributions to Senator Kennedy and Congressman Markey were within the limits allowed by the campaign finance laws and that the contributions were properly designated to the primary and general elections by the Kennedy and Markey committees. In addition, I have never been reimbursed for any of my political contributions by my husband's employer or anyone else.

I hope that this response addresses the allegations made in the complaint.

Very truly yours,


Bernadette L. Kearney

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October 3, 2000

Jeff Jordan
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RE: MUR 5093

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I am writing in response to your letter dated September 18, 2000 regarding a complaint against Choate, Hall and Stewart with respect to the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. I am a Managing Partner of that law firm.

I have reviewed the complaint and I have spoken with Mr. Kearney, a contract partner at Choate, Hall & Stewart. Mr. Kearney has informed me that the political contributions mentioned in the complaint were made in compliance with the federal election law and that this fact has been confirmed by the Kennedy, Markey and Neal campaign committees.

With respect to the inference that Mr. Kearney might be receiving reimbursement for his political munificence from Choate, Hall & Stewart, please allow me to assure the Commission that Choate, Hall & Stewart is aware that such reimbursement would be a violation of federal election law. Choate, Hall & Stewart has not, directly or indirectly, reimbursed or compensated Mr. Kearney for his political contributions. Mr. Kearney's compensation is established by the same process that applies to all partners (including contract partners) in the firm. This compensation process involves a review by the firm committee of a partner's contribution to the firm based upon a number of factors and statistical categories. Under no circumstances are the individual political contributions of a partner a factor in determining compensation.

If you require further information, please write or contact me.

Very truly yours,


John A. Nadas
Managing Partner

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