



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

April 14, 2022

Ronald C. Kaufman, Treasurer
Republican National Committee (RNC)
310 First Street SE
Washington, DC 20003

**Response Due Date
April 25, 2022**

Re: ADR 1074 (RAD 22L-06)
Republican National Committee (RNC) and Ronald C. Kaufman, Treasurer (C00003418)

Dear Ronald C. Kaufman:

The Federal Election Commission (FEC or Commission) referred a compliance issue to the FEC's Alternative Dispute Resolution Office (ADR Office) for processing. The referral by the Reports Analysis Division (RAD) was based on a review of reports filed by Republican National Committee (RNC) which reflect a possible failure to comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

An email was sent to your office on March 23, 2022, regarding an opportunity to participate in the ADR program at the Commission to resolve this matter. To date, the Commission has received no response. The FEC established the ADR Program to provide an informal means for resolving matters that come before the Commission and to facilitate negotiations directly with Republican National Committee (RNC) and Ronald C. Kaufman, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee). The ADR Program provides Respondents with an opportunity to negotiate settlement of a matter that is mutually agreeable. The negotiations occur prior to any Commission consideration of whether there is reason to believe a violation has occurred. If negotiations are successful, the resulting settlement would conclude the matter.

The Commission, in referring the matter to the ADR Office, determined that the case is eligible for processing in the ADR program. If Respondents decide to participate in the ADR Program, you must: 1) indicate in writing a willingness to have your case submitted for ADR processing; 2) agree to participate in the bilateral interest based negotiations; and 3) waive the statute of limitations while the matter is being processed under the FEC's ADR program.

The issues referred to the ADRO, and the focus of our subsequent negotiations are summarized as follows:

RAD referred REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE and Ronald C. Kaufman, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to remedy excessive contributions totaling \$174,732 within the permissible timeframe.

On June 1, 2021 the Committee filed a Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) stating the excessive contributions originated from distributions received from joint fundraising sources. Further, the Committee stated it requested a refund be issued to the joint fundraising committee and a corresponding adjustment from the joint fundraising committee in the next distribution to the Committee. The Committee further noted the adjustment had not been received.

If after reviewing this letter and the enclosed ADR Frequently Asked Questions, which describe the ADR program, Respondent(s) would like to participate in ADR processing, you need to affirmatively indicate that on the enclosed Commitment to Submit Matter to ADR form. **Failure to respond affirmatively by April 25, 2022 will be taken as a notice of disinterest in the program and your case will be dropped from further consideration for ADR.** In that event, your case will be sent to the FEC's Office of General Counsel for further processing.

This matter has been designated as **ADR 1074**. Please refer to this number in future correspondence with the FEC. If you have questions about the ADR Program, please contact the ADRO at my direct dial as indicated below

Sincerely,



Joshua A. Rebollozo
Assistant Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office