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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Informational Memo on Assignment

ADR 1085 - Association for Emergency Responders and Firefighters, PAC and Robert Piaro, Treasurer (C00622472)

The Audit Division referred AD A19-21 for processing on August 16, 2022, and the ADR Office designated the referral ADR 1085. This office intends to notify Respondents after five business days. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the ADR Office.

Summary of Case: The Audit Division referred Association for Emergency Responders and Firefighters, PAC and Robert Piaro, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for one (1) finding detailed in the Final Audit Report of the Commission, as approved on July 28, 2022. The finding states that the Committee understated disbursements by \$769,804 on its original reports for calendar years 2017 and 2018. The Committee filed amended reports disclosing the activity at issue, albeit untimely.

In response to the audit, the Committee stated that it continues to follow and refine its processes and procedures. To avoid similar errors in the future, the Committee has improved communication and document sharing with its accounting firm and added a function to its filing software to detect discrepancies between reports and bank statements.