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MEMORANDUM

February 28, 2024

TO: The Commission THROUGH: Alec Palmer Staff Director FROM: Patricia C. Orrock*PCO* Chief Compliance Officer Krista J. Roche Director, ADR Office Joshua A. Rebollozo Assistant Director, ADR Office SUBJECT: Recommendation to Approve Negotiated Settlement ADR 1146 - Americans for Constitutional Liberty dba The Conservative Caucus (C90018904) **RESOLUTION TERMS:** Develop and certify implementation of a compliance operations manual, which includes procedures for disclosing independent expenditures and internal controls; certify that a representative of the Respondent participated in an FEC training; and pay a civil penalty of \$7,225.

Attached for your review is a signed Negotiated Settlement pertaining to ADR 1146 (RAD 23L-60). The ADR Office received this referral from the Reports Analysis Division (RAD) on October 12, 2023.

SUMMARY: RAD referred Americans for Constitutional Liberty dba The Conservative Caucus (Respondent) for failing to timely file two (2) 48-Hour Reports to support ten (10) independent expenditures disseminated between May 15, 2023, and May 26, 2023, totaling \$144,522.57, disclosed on the 2023 July Quarterly Report. The Respondent filed two 48-Hour Reports on July 14, 2023, to support these independent expenditures, albeit untimely.

On September 19, 2023, the Respondent filed a Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) stating the Respondent timely transmitted all information to its consultant who was unaware of the 48-hour reporting requirements. Further, the Respondent stated that upon the consultant's discovery of the reporting requirements, the 48-Hour Reports were filed.

<u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>:

- 1. Approve the attached Negotiated Settlement of Americans for Constitutional Liberty dba The Conservative Caucus.
- 2. Approve the appropriate letters.
- 3. Close the file on this matter.

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