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Christal Dennis
Federal Election Commission
Office of Complaints Examination &
Legal Administration
1050 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Mark Houck for Congress
MUR 8161

Dear Ms. Dennis:

Please be advised that I am counsel to the Mark Houck for Congress committee and Mark Houck concerning the above-mentioned matter. I have reviewed the letter dated September 10, 2023, from Wanda D. Brown, Assistant General Counsel, Complaints Examinations & Legal Administration, with Mr. Houck and Joseph LePera, Treasurer of the committee. We are submitting this letter as our initial response and request for additional time to provide a more thorough response along with supporting documentation if you deem that necessary.

In the first item raised by the complainant, it is stated that the "Paid for" disclaimers on the campaign website states, "Paid for by Houck for Congress" when the registered (referred to as "sponsoring" in the complaint) campaign committee is "Mark Houck for Congress." This nomenclature error has been corrected at the website, as shown below. Moreover, and to avoid any future errors of this nature as well as to correct any past misperception, Mr. Houck has directed me to register "Houck for Congress" as an additional campaign committee with the FEC. This will be done within the next week.



The second and third items raised in the complaint concerning campaign contribution disclaimers and collection of contributor information, have also been fully rectified by clearly identifying where the contributions will be going and making certain that all required information is collected from the contributors. The committee now uses Anedot to process its contributions (see below), which does provide a full contributor data collection facility, and no longer uses PayPal which does not. The committee is also reviewing its prior contributions and collecting the employment/employer information where necessary and this data will be supplied when the first campaign finance report is filed with the FEC.

Mark Houck for Congress

Thank you for your donation to Mark Houck for Congress.
Together, we will Restore Faith, Family & Freedom.

Choose Amount

One-time

Monthly

\$ 0

Express Checkout

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Pay

OR

Already have an account? [Sign in](#)

Email *

☐ Send me updates by email (not needed for receipts)

Phone *

☐ Send me updates by text*

*By providing your phone number, you are consenting to receive text message updates, including automated text messages, to that number from Mark Houck for Congress. Message & Data rates may apply, and message frequency may vary over time. Reply "STOP" to opt out of these text message updates.

First name *

Last name *

Address *

Are you currently employed? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Employer Name *

Occupation *

 Card PayPal Bank

Card Number *

**Donate** Your information is secure.

By accessing this form you agree to the
[Terms of Service](#) and [Privacy Policy](#).

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Have questions? Visit [DonorSupport.com](#)

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The fourth item raised in the complaint that PayPal is not an FDIC or NCUA insured institution has been rectified. The committee banks with TD Bank, which is an FDIC insured institution and all campaign contributions processed through Anedot or otherwise collected by the campaign are deposited there. The redacted header from a recent account statement (August 11, 2023 to August 31, 2023) is shown below.

 America's Most Convenient Bank®	T	STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT	 <div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 2px; background-color: #e0ffe0;"> Go paperless. <small>Scan the QR code to opt in to paperless statements.</small> </div>						
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We appreciate the diligence of the complainant and the FEC in addressing this matter and hope that this letter has adequately responded to your concerns. It is the intention of the Mark Houck for Congress committee and Mr. Houck to fully comply with all FEC and any other legal requirements in his run for Congress. The errors raised in the complaint and addressed in this letter were inadvertent and not made to intentionally violate any FEC requirement or in bad faith. If you require any further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,


 Andrew Teitelman

AT/s

cc. Joseph LePera, CPA

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09-14-2023

Date

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Joseph Lepera, CPA

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(Signature - Respondent/Agent/Treasurer)

Treasurer

Title

Joseph Lepera, CPA

(Name - Please Print)

Mark Houck for Congress

RESPONDENT:

(Please print Committee Name/ Company Name/Individual Named in Notification Letter)

Mailing Address: 101 West Elm Street
 (Please Print)

Conshohocken, PA 19428

Home#: _____

Mobile#: _____



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Mark Houck

(Name - Please Print)

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Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006

Home#: _____

Mobile#: [REDACTED]

Office#: _____

Fax#: _____

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