



**Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463**

June 8, 2005

Von's Grocery Company
CT Corporation System
818 West Seventh Street
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Re: ADR 233 (MUR 5503)

Dear Sir or Madam:

On August 10, 2004, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") notified Von's Grocery Company of a complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was enclosed with the notification.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission has determined to exercise its prosecutorial discretion and to take no action against the Respondent Von's Grocery Company. In its memorandum to the Commission, dated June 1, 2005, this office stated:

The complaint alleges that for four days leading up to the 2004 4th of July holiday, Respondent Von's Grocery Company played patriotic music and rebroadcast President Bush's State of the Union address over the sound system in the store. Complainant further alleges that this was done in an attempt to influence customers and employees to vote to reelect President Bush. Respondents did not file a reply to the allegations.

Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on June 6, 2005.

The FEC is obligated by federal regulations to make a finding to terminate its proceedings public, as well as the basis therefore. 11 C.F.R. § 111.20(b). In addition, the Commission will also place on the record copies of the complaint, correspondence exchanged between Respondent and the Commission, and reports prepared for the Commission by this office to assist in its consideration of this matter. Accordingly, copies of documents relative to this matter will be forwarded shortly to the FEC's Public Information Office.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please be in touch. My telephone number is 202-694-1665.

Sincerely,

Lynn M. Fraser
Assistant Director, ADR Office

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