



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463

June 29, 2005

Charles R. Spies
Election Law Counsel
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, SE
Washington, D.C. 20003

Re: ADR 259/MUR 5602

Dear Mr. Spies:

On November 9, 2004, the Federal Election Commission notified the RNC of a complaint filed against it 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 determined to exercise its prosecutorial discretion and to take no action against respondents, the Republican National Committee and Michael Retzer, Treasurer. In its memorandum to the Commission, dated June 20, 2005 this office stated:

Complainant, Barbara J. Evans, contends that she received a telephone call from a caller, who identified herself as calling on behalf of the Republican National Committee (the "Respondents" or "RNC"), requesting an additional contribution for the re-election of George Bush. The caller reportedly sighted the complainant's prior contributions and her previous "generous contributions" to the RNC. The complainant contends that she never previously contributed and questions whether someone else is using her name and address to hide their own contributions to the RNC. Respondents argue that the complaint is facially deficient in terms of law and fact, fails to allege a violation of the Act and requests that the matter be dismissed.... Given the complainant's failure to identify a clear violation of the Act, we recommend that the matter be dismissed.

Accordingly, the Commission closed its file on this matter on June 27, 2005. A copy of the Commission's certification is enclosed.

Pertinent copies of the file will be placed, within 30 days, on the public record. If you have any questions about this matter please contact the ADR Office at 202-694-1670.

Sincerely,

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Allan D. Silberman,
Director, ADR Office

Enclosure: as stated

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