



Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

April 4, 2006

Mary Ann Galic
1302 Peninsula Drive
Traverse City, MI 49686-1955

Re: ADR 303 (MUR 5662)

Dear Ms. Galic:

On June 6, 2005, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") received your complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

After consider the circumstances of this matter, the Commission has determined to exercise its prosecutorial discretion and to take no action against the Respondent, Forest D. Jones aka A Concerned Citizen. In its memorandum to the Commission, dated January 23, 2006, this office stated:

Mary Ann Galic ("Complainant") alleges that a full page advertisement, urging the defeat of Congressman Dave Camp in 2006, was placed anonymously in the Traverse City Record-Eagle on April 21, 2005. The disclaimer at the bottom of the advertisement stated: "This is not a partisan issue. I am not, nor have I ever been, a Democrat. Paid for by: A concerned citizen. PO Box 6346, Traverse City, MI 49686." Complainant alleges, in addition to the inadequate disclaimer, there appeared to be no report of the independent expenditure made, which Complainant estimated to be between \$4,000 and \$4,500. Forest D. Jones, aka A Concerned Citizen, ("Respondent") argues that he did not intend to violate federal law. He knew of no announcement by Representative Camp about an intention to run for reelection at the time he ran the advertisement, and, in fact, did not intend his comments to be directed solely against Representative Camp. Respondent contends that he intended to merely express his opinion, and that he did it anonymously because he feared the reaction of fanatics. In addition, Respondent stated that he paid \$1,829.52 for the advertisement.

Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on March 21, 2006.

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, as of January 1, 2004, the Commission will also place on the record copies of the complaint, correspondence exchanged between Respondent(s) and this office, and reports prepared for the Commission by this office to

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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.

The Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

Sincerely,

Lynn M. Fraser
Assistant Director, ADR Office

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