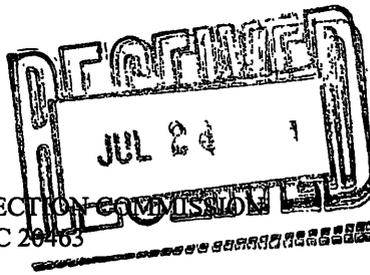




FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463



July 19, 2006

Christopher Maska
900 Congress Avenue, Suite 300
Austin, TX 78701

Re: ADR 328 (RR 06-11)
Republican Party of Texas and Christopher Maska, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Maska:

The Reports Analysis Division of the Federal Election Commission ("FEC" or "Commission") determined that matters arising from its recent review of the Republican Party of Texas reports warranted further examination for possible violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. The Commission, thereafter, reviewed the file and voted on June 29, 2006 to assign this matter to the FEC's Alternative Dispute Resolution Office ("ADRO") for processing.

The FEC established the ADR Program to provide an informal means for resolving matters that come before the Commission and to facilitate negotiations directly with Respondents. The ADR Program provides Respondents with an opportunity to negotiate, and if necessary, mediate settlement of a matter that is mutually agreeable. The negotiations occur prior to any Commission consideration of whether there is reason to believe a violation has occurred. If negotiations and/or mediation are successful, the resulting settlement would conclude the matter.

The Commission, in referring the matter to the ADR office, determined that the case is eligible for processing in the ADR program. If Respondents decide to participate in the Program, i.e., negotiation and/or mediation, you must: 1) indicate in writing a willingness to have your case submitted to the ADR process; 2) agree to participate in the bilateral negotiations and if necessary, mediation; and 3) waive the statute of limitations while the matter is being processed under the FEC's ADR program.

The issues referred to the ADRO and the focus of our subsequent negotiations are summarized as follows:

RAD referred the Republican Party of Texas and Christopher Maska, Treasurer, ("Respondents" or the "Committee") for failing to disclose all financial activity on their 2004 30 Day Post-General Report, and their 2005 February Monthly Report. Specifically,

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Respondents filed an Amended 2004 30 Day Post-General Report disclosing \$173,619 in additional receipts. Respondents' original 2004 30 Day Post-General Report disclosed \$525,047 in total receipts. On July 22, 2005, Respondents filed the Amended 2004 30 Day Post-General Report disclosing \$698,666 in receipts.

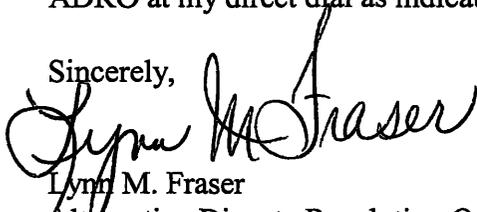
In addition, the Committee filed an Amended 2005 February Monthly Report disclosing \$65,768 in additional receipts, and \$65,985 in additional disbursements. On February 20, 2005, Respondents filed the original 2005 February Monthly Report disclosing total receipts of \$191,027, and \$0 on Line 22 (Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees). On October 21, 2005, Respondents filed an Amended 2005 February Monthly Report disclosing \$256,795 in additional receipts, and \$65,985 on Line 22 (Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees).

In response to RFAs sent to Respondents inquiring as to the discrepancies in financial activity, the Committee filed miscellaneous electronic submissions stating that the omissions were due to coding errors in its financial software.

If after reviewing this letter and the enclosed brochure, which describes the ADR program, Respondent would like this case selected for ADR processing, you need to affirmatively indicate that on the enclosed Commitment to Submit Matter to ADR Program form. **Failure to respond affirmatively within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of this letter will be taken as a notice of disinterest in the program and your case will be dropped from further consideration for ADR.** In that event, your case will be sent to the FEC's Office of General Counsel and the likelihood that the Committee will be audited during the next election cycle will increase.

This matter has been designated as **ADR 328**. Please refer to this number in future correspondence with the FEC. If you have questions about the ADR Program, please contact the ADRO at my direct dial as indicated below

Sincerely,



Lynn M. Fraser
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office
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Enclosures: Brochure
Commitment to Submit Matter to ADR
Designation of Representative/Counsel