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MEMORANDUM

August 22, 2006

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Patrina M. Clark
Staff Director

FROM: Lynn M. Fraser, Acting Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

SUBJECT: ADR 337 Giffords for Congress and Laura T. Almquist, Treasurer,
Recommendation to Dismiss

On June 16, 2006, the ADR Office received MUR 5735 from the Office of General Counsel ("OGC") to review and determine its appropriateness for ADR processing. Based on that review, we recommend that it be closed. Following the procedures approved by the Commission on March 3, 2003, this matter will be closed by the ADR Office if the Commission approves the recommendation in this Memorandum. OGC concurs in the description of this matter and that it will not be returned to OGC for further action.

Respondents:
Giffords for Congress
Laura T. Almquist, Treasurer

Respondents' Rep.:
Charles A. Blanchard, Esq.

Complainant: Scott Meyer

Committee Name: Giffords for Congress

OGC Case Open Date: 3-14-06

Committee Type: Authorized

Date Forwarded to ADRO: 6-16-06

District #/or State: AZ, 8th C.D.

Election - Won/Lost: N/A

Election Cycle: 2006

Summary of Complaint: The Complaint alleges that Giffords for Congress and Laura Almquist, Treasurer, ("Respondents" or the "Committee") failed to file an amended Statement of Organization naming Judy Nagle, the person who has been signing the committee's disclosure reports, as the Committee's new treasurer.

Respondents' Reply: Respondents contend that the failure to file the FEC Form 1, was an oversight, as they believed a letter they sent on January 18, 2006 requesting a password for

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electronic filing and informing the FEC that "Judy Nagle will be filing the reports as assistant treasurer[,] was sufficient. Upon receiving a copy of the complaint, the Committee filed the appropriate FEC Form 1.

Recommendation: Dismiss

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