



Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

September 7, 2006

Charles Blanchard, Esq.
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Re: ADR 337 (MUR 5735)

Dear Mr. Blanchard:

On April 21, 2006, the Federal Election Commission ("FEC" or "Commission") notified Giffords for Congress and Laura T. Almquist, Treasurer ("Respondents") 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 issue an admonishment, but take no further action against the Respondents. In its memorandum to the Commission, August 22, 2006, this office stated:

Summary: 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 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 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.

Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on August 28, 2006.

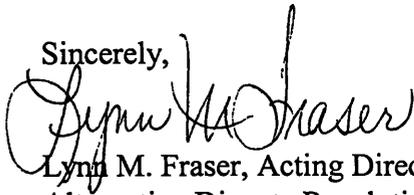
The FEC is obligated by federal regulations to make a finding to terminate its proceedings public, as well as the basis therefore. 11 C.F.R. § 111.20(b). In addition, the Commission will also place on the record copies of the complaint, correspondence exchanged between Respondent(s) and the Commission,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

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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, Acting Director,
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

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