



Federal Election Commission  
Washington, DC 20463

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

August 1, 2007

Bennie Thompson  
P.O. Box 100  
Bolton, MS 39041

Re: ADR 382 (MUR 5880)

Dear Mr. Thompson:

On November 7, 2006, the Federal Election Commission ("FEC" or "Commission") received your complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission has determined to exercise its prosecutorial discretion and take no action against the Respondents, Friends of Yvonne Rayford Brown and Paul Breazeale, Treasurer. In its memorandum to the Commission, dated June 15, 2007, this office stated:

**Summary:** The FECA prohibits corporations from making, and political committees from accepting, contributions in connection with an election. The Complainant alleges that Friends of Yvonne Rayford Brown and Paul V. Breazeale, Treasurer ("Respondents" or the "Committee") accepted a \$1,000 contribution from Reliable Appraisal Services, Inc. In addition, the complaint alleges that Respondents indicated on Schedule C of the 2006 October Quarterly Report that a loan from the candidate was secured, but failed to disclose the collateral.

Respondents contend that the Committee did not realize that it had accepted a corporate contribution. Respondents stated that the contribution will be disgorged to the U.S. Treasury, and verification of that will be provided to the Commission. In response to the second allegation raised in the complaint, Respondents assert that the \$10,000 loan was from the former candidate, and was not secured. The check in the box indicating that the loan was secured on Schedule C, for the \$10,000 loan dated September 28, 2006, was an error.

Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on June 21, 2007.

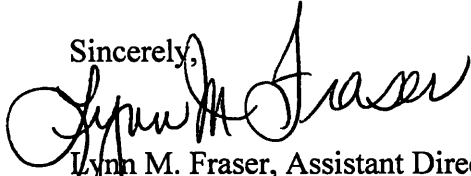
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The FEC is obligated by federal regulations to make a finding to terminate its proceedings public, as well as the basis therefore 11 C.F.R. § 111.20(b). In addition, the Commission will also place on the record copies of the complaint, correspondence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