



**Federal Election Commission  
Washington, DC 20463**

October 1, 2007

Joni L. Ivey  
Bobby Scott for Congress  
P.O. Box 251  
Newport News, VA 23607

Re: ADR # 384  
Bobby Scott for Congress and Charles Scott, Treasurer

Dear Ms. Ivey:

Enclosed is the signed copy of the agreement resolving the referral initiated on March 22, 2007 with the Federal Election Commission ("FEC/Commission") against Bobby Scott for Congress and Charles Scott, Treasurer ("Respondents"). The agreement for ADR 384 (RAD 07L-08) was approved by the Commission on September 14, 2007 – the effective date of the agreement.

Note the specific time frames for compliance in paragraph 9 of the agreement. Please forward to this office, a statement confirming Respondent's compliance with the terms listed in paragraph 6 of the aforementioned agreement. The letter should note the dates on which Respondents satisfied each of the terms listed in paragraph 6 and contain the ADR caption and case number.

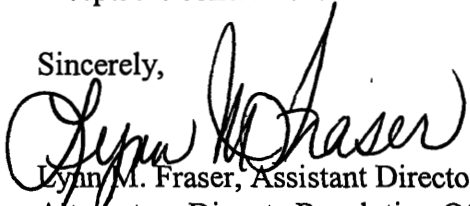
As you are aware, the settlement agreement will be made part of the record that is released to the public. The Commission will also place on the record copies of the referral, correspondence exchanged between your office and this office prior to our entry into settlement negotiations and reports prepared for the Commission by this office to assist in its consideration of this matter. The Commission is obliged by Federal statute to place on the public record documents in closed enforcement and alternative dispute resolution cases; accordingly, copies of documents relative to this matter will be forwarded shortly to the FEC's Public Information Office.

This agreement resolves the matter that was initiated by the Commission pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities regarding violations of federal election campaign laws. I appreciate your

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assistance in effectively resolving this matter and bringing the case to a mutually acceptable conclusion.

Sincerely,



Lynn M. Fraser, Assistant Director  
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office  
202-694-1665

Enclosure: Agreement

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Case Number: ADR 384  
Source: RAD 07L-08  
Case Name: Bobby Scott for Congress

### **NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT**

This matter was initiated by the Federal Election Commission (Commission) pursuant to information ascertained in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. Following review of the matter, and in an effort to promote compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, (FECA) and resolve this matter, the Commission entered into negotiations with Joni L. Ivey, representing Bobby Scott for Congress and Charles Scott, in his official capacity as Treasurer (the Committee or Respondents). It is understood that this agreement will have no precedential value relative to any other matters coming before the Commission.

Negotiations between the Commission and Respondents addressed the issues raised in this referral. The parties agree to resolve the matter according to the following terms:

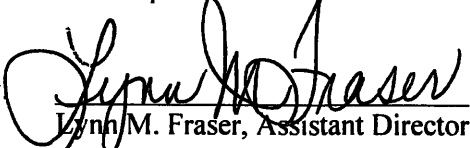
1. The Commission entered into this agreement as part of its responsibility for administering the FECA, and in an effort to promote compliance on the part of Respondents. The Commission's use of alternative dispute resolution procedures ("ADR") is guided by "The Administrative Dispute Resolution Act of 1996," 5 U.S.C. § 572 and is an extension of 2 U.S.C. § 437g.
2. Respondents voluntarily enter into this agreement with the Commission.
3. The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred Respondents for failing to report all financial activity on their 2006 July Quarterly Report. An amended 2006 July Quarterly Report, filed on September 6, 2006, disclosed additional receipts of \$55,880.
4. Treasurers of political committees are required to report all financial activity, including all receipts, pursuant to the FECA. 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(a)(1), 434(b)(2), 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.1, 104.3(a).
5. Respondents acknowledge inadvertent omissions on the 2006 July Quarterly Report, due to a coding problem in their reporting software. Respondents further contend that as soon as they realized there were omissions in the receipts reported, corrections were made and an amended report was filed.

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- 6 Respondents, in an effort to avoid similar errors in the future, agree to: (a) appoint a compliance specialist to supervise Committee reporting; (b) develop a compliance manual for Committee staff; and (c) to ensure accuracy in reporting, the Committee will contract for and provide additional staff training on its financial software within six months of the effective date of this agreement.
- 7. Respondents agree that all information provided to resolve this matter is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and that they sign this agreement under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746.
- 8 The parties agree that if Respondents fail to comply with the terms of this settlement, the Commission may submit any unpaid civil penalty to the U.S. Treasury for collection or undertake civil action in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia to secure compliance.
- 9 This agreement shall become effective on the date signed by all parties and approved by the Commission. Respondents shall comply with terms (a) and (b) within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this agreement. Respondents shall comply with term (c) within six (6) months of the effective date of this agreement.
- 10 This Negotiated Settlement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on ADR 384 (RAD 07L-08), and effectively resolves the issues identified in paragraph 3 above. No other statement, promise or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party, not included herein, shall be enforceable.

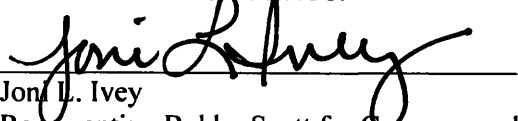
FOR THE COMMISSION:

Deborah Ruth Kant, Director  
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

By   
Lynn M. Fraser, Assistant Director

September 14, 2007  
Date Signed

FOR THE RESPONDENTS:

  
Joni L. Ivey  
Representing Bobby Scott for Congress and  
Charles Scott, Treasurer

August 28, 2007  
Date Signed