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MEMORANDUM

August 8, 2007 **SENSITIVE**

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: *JF pm*
Patrina M. Clark
Staff Director

FROM: *JG*
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Chief Compliance Officer

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Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 408, Matt Brown For Senate, Tim Patterson, Treasurer,
Recommendation to Assign

On July 20, 2007, the ADR Office received RAD 07L-24 to review and determine its appropriateness for ADR processing. Based on that review, we determined that the case is appropriate for ADR, and recommend that it be assigned to the ADR Office. The ADR Office Memorandum includes a summary and discussion of the case, and a Recommendation. In addition, the Office of General Counsel reviewed the ADR Memorandum, and concurs in the description of the case.

ADR Case: ADR 408

Source No. RAD 07L-24

Respondents: Matt Brown For Senate, **Respondent's Rep.:** Tim Patterson
Tim Patterson, Treasurer

Complainant: N/A

Committee Name: Matt Brown For Senate

Referral: RAD

Committee Type: authorized

Date Forwarded to ADRO: 7/20/07

District #/or State: Rhode Island

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Election - Won/Lost: dropped out of primary

Election Cycle: 2006

Summary and Discussion of Case: Treasurers are required to disclose the amount and nature of outstanding debts and obligations owed by or to such political committee. 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(8), 11 C.F.R. §104.3(d). In this case, the Respondents (or the “Committee”) failed to report \$94,835.32 in additional debt on its 2006 April Quarterly Report (a 55% increase) and \$54,669.69 on its 2006 July Quarterly Report (a 17% increase). The Committee amended both reports twice, and in response to the RFAIs on both reports, the Committee stated that the invoices relating to the additional debt were received late. The Committee also contended that the Committee had undergone a series of financial and other setbacks, including staff layoffs. The Committee apologized for the inadvertent errors.¹

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **Assign ADR 408 /RAD 07L-24 to the ADR Office.**

¹ The Committee submitted a debt settlement plan which RAD rejected due to pending referral issues