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MEMORANDUM

December 30, 2009

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *[Signature]*
Acting Staff Director

FROM: John D. Gibson *[Signature]*
Chief Compliance Officer

Lynn M. Fraser *[Signature]*
Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 482 Maryland Republican State Central Committee and Robert Christopher Rosenthal, Treasurer, Recommendation to Approve Settlement Agreement

RESOLUTION TERMS: Send a representative to a FEC conference; develop and maintain a receipt and tracking process for responding to Requests for Additional Information (RAFI) received from RAD; develop and maintain a compliance manual for reference by Committee staff; and pay a civil penalty of \$1,000.

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to ADR 482 (RAD 09L-01). The ADR Office received this referral on January 6, 2009.

SUMMARY: The Reports Analysis Division referred the Maryland Republican State Central Committee and Robert Christopher Rosenthal, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for cumulative errors during the 2006 election cycle. Some of the errors involved mathematical discrepancies, missing schedules, and failures to itemize contributions. The Committee, in response, explained that volunteers filed the reports and were inexperienced in campaign finance reporting.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached settlement agreement of the Maryland Republican State Central Committee and Robert Christopher Rosenthal, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.

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