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**MEMORANDUM**

November 24, 2009

TO: The Commission

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SUBJECT: ADR 527 Houston Fire Fighters Political Action Fund, International Association of Fire Fighters for the 2007-2008 Election Cycle and Jeffrey Caynon, Treasurer, Informational Memo on Assignment

The Reports Analysis Division referred RAD 09L-45 for processing on November 24, 2009, and the ADR Office designated the referral ADR 527. We included a summary and discussion of the referral for your information. We anticipate initiating communication with Respondents in ADR 527 on November 27, 2009. Please contact Lynn Fraser if you have any questions or concerns before then.

**Summary of Case:** The Reports Analysis Division referred the Houston Fire Fighters Political Action Fund, International Association of Fire Fighters for the 2007-2008 Election Cycle and Jeffrey Caynon, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for a series of reporting errors and other FECA violations during the 2008 election cycle. A political committee may be referred if, after an internal review of reports filed by the committee, the Commission determines the reports do not meet the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the FECA. The Committee's errors included, among other things: failure to file or late filing of reports; mathematical discrepancies; and failure to provide supporting schedules.

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