



Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

April 15, 2013

Jason Buck
Jason Buck for Congress
4779 West 10600 North
Highland, Utah 84003

Re: ADR 625 (MUR 6532)
Jason Buck for Congress and James Gilbert, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Buck:

Enclosed is the signed copy of the agreement resolving the complaint filed on February 23, 2012 with the Federal Election Commission ("FEC/Commission") against Jason Buck for Congress and James Gilbert, Treasurer ("Respondents"). **The agreement for ADR 625 (MUR 6532) was approved by the Commission on April 11, 2013 – the effective date of the agreement.**

Note the specific time frames for compliance in paragraph 6 of the agreement. **Please forward to this office, a statement certifying Respondent's compliance with the terms listed in 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 complaint, 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 brought to the attention of the FEC by Kelly Casaday regarding an alleged violation of the federal election campaign laws. I appreciate your assistance in effectively resolving this matter and bringing the case to a mutually acceptable conclusion.

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Sincerely,



Krista J. Roche, Assistant Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office
202-694-1665

Enclosure: Agreement

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Case Number: ADR 625
Source: MUR 6532
Case Name: Jason Buck for Congress

NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT

This matter was initiated by a signed, sworn and notarized complaint filed by Kelly Casaday. 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 Federal Election Commission (Commission) entered into negotiations with Jason Buck representing Jason Buck for Congress and James Gilbert, 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 complaint. The parties agree to resolve the matter according to the following terms:

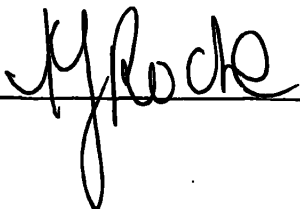
1. The Commission entered into this agreement as part of its responsibility for administering the FECA, and in an effort to promote compliance on the part of Respondents. The Commission's use of alternative dispute resolution procedures (ADR) is guided by "The Administrative Dispute Resolution Act of 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. After reviewing the complaint filed by Kelly Casaday, the Commission referred Respondents to the ADR Office for failure to report disputed debt. The complaint alleges that the Committee failed to disclose three debts totaling \$42,900 in its reports: (1) \$19,500 owed to Letter23, LLC; (2) \$11,400 owed to Lime Marketing; and (3) \$12,000 owed to JPC Development. The Commission determined that although the debts were disputed by the Committee, it appears that the creditors all provided something of value to the Committee, and therefore the claims should have been disclosed on the 2011 Year End Report.
4. A debt or obligation, including a loan, written contract, written promise or written agreement to make an expenditure, the amount of which is over \$500 shall be reported as of the date on which the debt or obligation is incurred. 11 C.F.R. § 104.11(b).

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5. Mr. Buck contends that, as a first-time candidate, he was unaware of the obligation to report disputed debts, and relied on his treasurer, an accountant, who was similarly unaware. Respondents contend that the disputed debts that are the substance of the Coalplaint were for services that were not approved and services that were promised but never actually performed. Respondents contend that, with the assistance of counsel, these disputed debts were settled for a combined total of only \$3,163. Around the time of the Complaint, Respondents engaged a new experienced treasurer to provide guidance and ensure reports are filed accurately in compliance with the FECA. Respondents contend that the candidate has no plans to run for federal office, and the Committee's most recent bank statement reflects a balance of approximately \$50.00.
6. Respondents, in an effort to avoid similar errors in the future, agree to: (a) amend all relevant reports within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this agreement and (b) work with the Reports Analysis Division to terminate reporting obligations within ninety (90) days 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. This Negotiated Settlement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on ADR 625 (MUR 6532), and resolves those 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:

Krista J. Roche, Assistant Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office



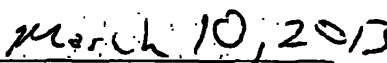


Date Signed

FOR THE RESPONDENTS:



Jason Buck
Representing Jason Buck for Congress and
James Gilbert, Treasurer



Date Signed