



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20463

September 23, 2013

Darrell L. Paster, Treasurer  
321 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street #6  
New York, NY 10024

Re: ADR 660 (RR 13L-11)  
Westiders for Progress 2012 and Darrell L. Paster, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Paster:

The Federal Election Commission (FEC or Commission) referred a compliance issue to the FEC's Alternative Dispute Resolution Office (ADR Office) for processing. The referral by the Reports Analysis Division (RAD) was based on a review of reports filed by Westiders for Progress 2012 which reflect a possible failure to comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended

The FEC established the ADR Program to provide an informal means for resolving matters that come before the Commission and to facilitate negotiations directly with the Westiders for Progress 2012 and Darrell L. Paster, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee). The ADR Program provides Respondents with an opportunity to negotiate settlement of a matter that is mutually agreeable. The negotiations occur prior to any Commission consideration of whether there is reason to believe a violation has occurred. If negotiations are successful, the resulting settlement concludes the matter.

The Commission, in referring the matter to the ADR Office, determined that the case is eligible for processing in the ADR program. If Respondents decide to participate in the ADR Program, you must: 1) indicate in writing a willingness to have your case submitted for ADR processing; 2) agree to participate in the bilateral interest based negotiations; and 3) waive the statute of limitations while the matter is being processed under the FEC's ADR program.

The issues referred to the ADRO, and the focus of our subsequent negotiations, are summarized as follows:

**Summary of Case:** RAD referred Westiders for Progress 2012 and Darrell L. Paster, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to disclose timely all financial activity on their 2012 12 Day Pre-General, 2012 30 Day Post-General, and 2012 Year-End Reports. The Committee filed all three reports on April 16, 2013 with total receipts of \$61,606.70 and total disbursements of \$52,820.90. Prior to filing these three reports,

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the Committee did not appear to have sufficient activity for inclusion in the Administrative Fines Program during the 2011-2012 election cycle.

If after reviewing this letter and the enclosed ADR Frequently Asked Questions, which describe the ADR program, Respondents would like to participate in ADR processing, you need to affirmatively indicate that on the enclosed Commitment to Submit Matter to ADR form. **Failure to respond affirmatively within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of this letter will be taken as a notice of disinterest in the program and your case will be dropped from further consideration for ADR. In that event, your case will be sent to the FEC's Office of General Counsel for further processing, and the likelihood that the Committee will be audited during the next election cycle will increase.**

This matter has been designated as **ADR 660**. Please refer to this number in future correspondence with the FEC. If you have questions about the ADR Program, please contact the ADRO at my direct dial as indicated below

Sincerely,

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

Enclosures: ADR Frequently Asked Questions  
Commitment to Submit Matter to ADR  
Designation of Representative/Counsel

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