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**MEMORANDUM**

March 12, 2014

TO: The Commission

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Staff Director

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Chief Compliance Officer

Lynn M. Fraser *LMF*  
Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 702 Republican Party of Florida and Jeff Howell, Treasurer,  
Informational Memo on Assignment

The Office of General Counsel referred P-MUR 570 on March 10, 2014, and the ADR Office designated the referral as ADR 702. We included a summary and discussion of the referral for your information. We anticipate initiating communication with Respondents in ADR 702 on March 14, 2014. Please contact Lynn Fraser if you have any questions, comments or concerns before then.

**Summary of Case:** The Office of General Counsel referred this *sua sponte* submission filed by the Republican Party of Florida and Jeff Howell, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) on January 29, 2014. The Committee self-reported that it failed to file 48-Hour Reports for eleven (11) independent expenditures in the amount of \$115,961.07 made between December 6, 2013 and January 17, 2014 in connection with the March 11, 2014 special general election in Florida's 13<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. The 48-Hour Reports were filed on January 28, 2014, and the independent expenditures were disclosed on Schedule E of the 2012 Year End Report filed January 31, 2014.

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