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MEMORANDUM

March 9, 2017

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *with for*
Staff Director

FROM: Patricia C. Orrock *PCO*
Chief Compliance Officer

Lynn M. Fraser *LMF*
Director, ADR Office

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Assistant Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 813 Scott Rigell for Congress and Joe Wood,
Treasurer, Recommendation to Approve Settlement
Agreement

RESOLUTION TERMS: Pay a civil penalty of \$5,600; disgorge any remaining
balance of uncashed refund checks for general election
contributions to the U.S. Treasury; and terminate political
committee status.

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to ADR 813 (RAD 16L-19). The ADR Office received this referral on October 20, 2016.

SUMMARY: The Reports Analysis Division referred Respondents for failure to refund or redesignate 2016 General Election contributions totaling \$74,075.00 within the permissible timeframe following the candidate's announcement not to participate in the 2016 Primary Election.

On August 30, 2016, Respondents filed an FEC Form 99 stating, in part, that "we made it a priority to return these funds and re-designate as required as soon as we were made aware of this issue." All of the contributions at issue have been

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refunded or redesignated, albeit untimely. At this time, the Committee states it wishes to terminate operations.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached settlement agreement of Scott Rigell for Congress and Joe Wood, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.