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**MEMORANDUM**

January 18, 2018

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *AP*  
Staff Director

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

Krista J. Roche *KR*  
Acting Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 838 Stutzman for Senate and Christopher Marston,  
Treasurer, Recommendation to Approve Negotiated  
Settlement

RESOLUTION TERMS: File a debt settlement plan; file a termination report; and  
pay a civil penalty of \$8,340.

Attached for your review is a signed negotiated ADR Settlement Agreement pertaining to ADR 838 (RAD 17L-29). The ADR Office received this referral on 8/18/2017.

**SUMMARY:** The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred Respondents for failing to remedy excessive and prohibited contributions totaling \$95,540.31 for the 2016 Primary Election and \$775 for the 2016 General Election within the permissible timeframe. As of the referral, \$82,464.31 of these contributions had been remedied, albeit untimely, and \$13,851.00 remained unremedied.

Respondents contend that the excessive contributions were the result of a database error in which duplicate contributor information from multiple sources was not being reconciled. Respondents contend that once the error was discovered, attempts were made to remedy all excessive contributions.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Approve the attached negotiated settlement of Stutzman for Senate and Christopher Marston, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.