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Washington, DC 20463

**MEMORANDUM**

October 3, 2017

TO: The Commission

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Staff Director

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

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Acting Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 841 Michigan Democratic State Central Committee and  
Sandy O'Brien, Treasurer, Informational Memo on Assignment

The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred RAD 17L-33 for processing on September 15, 2017, and the ADR Office designated the referral ADR 841. We include a summary and discussion of the referral for your information. We anticipate initiating communication with Respondents in ADR 841 within five (5) business days. Please contact Krista Roche if you have any questions or concerns.

**Summary of Case:** RAD referred Michigan Democratic State Central Committee and Sandy O'Brien, Treasurer, (Respondents or the Committee) for a series of reporting errors and other FECA violations during the 2015-2016 election cycle. A political committee may be referred if, after an internal review of reports filed by the committee, the Commission determines the reports do not meet the threshold requirements for substantial compliance with the FECA. The Committee's reporting errors included, among other items: excessive, prohibited and other impermissible contributions or transfers; mathematical discrepancies, failure to provide supporting schedules; failure to properly itemize contributions and transfers from political committees; failure to properly itemize disbursements; and allocated federal and non-federal activity.