



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 8, 2018

Jesse Hill, Treasurer
Edward Jones PAC
12555 Manchester Road
Saint Louis, MO 63131

Re: ADR 860 (RAD 18L-03)
Edward Jones PAC and Jesse Hill, Treasurer

Dear Jesse Hill:

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 was based on a review of reports filed by Edward Jones PAC 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 Edward Jones PAC and Jesse Hill, 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 would conclude 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:

RAD referred Edward Jones PAC and Jesse Hill, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to disclose all financial activity on its 2015 Year-End Report, originally filed on January 31, 2016. On October 14, 2016, the Committee filed an Amended 2015 Year-End Report including \$130,650.00 in additional receipts from the original report.

The Committee filed a Miscellaneous Electronic Submission (Form 99) on October 14, 2016, indicating that the Committee filed amended reports to correct errors recently discovered by the PAC during a routine, periodic review of past filings and reporting protocols. The Committee contends that each of these technical errors have now been appropriately self-corrected by the Committee and self-reported to the FEC. In addition, the Committee indicates that the administrative cause of the identified errors has been eliminated and an additional layer of review by both internal and external compliance experts has been added.

If after reviewing this letter and the enclosed ADR Frequently Asked Questions, which describe the ADR program, Respondent(s) 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 from the date 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 860**. 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,



Krista J. Roche
Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

Enclosures: ADR Frequently Asked Questions
Commitment to Participate in ADR & Designation of Representative/Counsel