



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

July 11, 2018

Charlotte Nations, Treasurer
Joey Nations for Congress
1130 Nebraska CT NE
Salem, OR 97301

Re: ADR 875 (MUR 7372)
Joey Nations for Congress and Charlotte Nations, Treasurer

Dear Charlotte Nations:

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 Office of General Counsel was based on a complaint filed by <None> <None> which alleges a violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, by Joey Nations for Congress.

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 Joey Nations for Congress and Charlotte Nations, 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:

On April 25, 2018, Leo Stratton filed a Complaint alleging that Joey Nations for Congress and Charlotte Nations, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) failed to include adequate disclaimers on its Facebook page and campaign website, as well as on physical campaign materials such as yard signs and bumper stickers. Further, the Complaint alleges that the donation pages on the committee's website and Facebook page do not include a mechanism for collecting employer and occupation information, and do not include

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statements of law regarding the limitations and prohibitions. Lastly, the Complaint alleges that the Committee's Facebook page categorizes the Committee as a Non-Profit, but there is no documentation supporting that claim.

In a response dated May 17, 2018, Charlotte Nations indicates that the disclaimer box is not required on the logo, signs, or stickers because the Committee was not soliciting donations with those items. Further, Ms. Nations contends that the donation page does not require a disclaimer as it is not a written solicitation. Additionally, Ms. Nations states that the official website for the Committee includes the required disclaimers. Lastly, Ms. Nations indicates that the Committee is not a nonprofit organization and Facebook is not a legal designation of such.

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 875**. 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:

Commitment to Participate in ADR & Designation of Representative/Counsel