

OFFICE OF
GENERAL COUNSEL

FROM:
Lori Adams
P.O. Box 117
Arnolds Park, IA 51331

2018 MAY 23 AM 11: 52

TO:
Office of the General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
1050 First St. NE
Washington, DC 20463

MUR # 7393

To the Office of the General Counsel – Federal Elections Commission,

I am writing to bring to this office's attention a clear violation of Federal Election Commission rules. U.S. election code clearly states that "all public communications... made by a political committee" are required to include a disclaimer that "must clearly state that the communication has been paid for by the authorized political committee."¹

J.D. Scholten, candidate for Congress in Iowa's 4th Congressional district, and his campaign committee Scholten4Iowa Campaign Committee have clearly violated this requirement by sending out a mass mailing that does not include the required disclaimer and gives the recipient no information regarding what entity disseminated the piece. A copy of this mass mailing is attached to this complaint as Exhibit A.

This requirement is a core tenet of campaign finance regulations that inform voters receiving political communications who is sending them that information so they can make an informed decision as to the veracity of what they read or hear. By breaking this requirement, Mr. Scholten's campaign is hiding from 4th district voters information that they are required to receive by law.

I hope the Office of the General Counsel will look into this violation and take appropriate action to ensure 4th district voters are able to make an electoral decision with all the facts to which they are entitled.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Lori Adams

Signed and sworn to before me on 05/18/18 (MM/DD/YY).

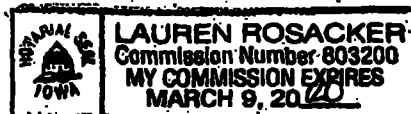

Notary Public

Exhibit A



16-16004-127899

VOTE J.D. Scholten for Congress on June 5th

“Health care is a right and not a privilege. We need a healthcare system that focuses on patients, not profits. That means making prescription drugs affordable, introducing a public option to stabilize the market, and working toward Medicare For All.”

“I’m fighting for our small towns and the new rural economy. I want to expand our leadership in renewable energy, reinvest in agricultural technology, and stand up for the small towns that helped build this state.”

J.D. Scholten is endorsed by:

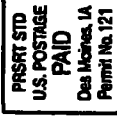
- The Belknapsters, Iron Workers, and NW Iowa Building Trades
- Congressman Tim Ryan
- State House Reps. Chris Hall, Tim Macena, and Todd Pritchard
- The People’s House Project
- Asian & Latino Coalition
- Over 100 local elected officials and activists!

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS

★ Running Against Steve King ★
Significantly Outraised Steve King
Each of the last Two Quarters!

 @scholten4iowa  @scholten4iowa
Website: scholten4iowa.com

104 KELLOGG AVE.
AMES, IOWA 50010



*****AUTO**SCH 5-DIGIT 51301



23279 52 25