



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 18, 2020

Tom Campbell, Treasurer
Tom Campbell for North Dakota
700 9th St S
Fargo, ND 58103

Response Due Date
April 8, 2020

Re: ADR 960 (RR 19L-12)
Tom Campbell for North Dakota and Tom Campbell, Treasurer

Dear Treasurer:

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 (RAD) is based on a review of reports filed by Tom Campbell for North Dakota, which reflects 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 Tom Campbell for North Dakota and Tom Campbell, 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 Tom Campbell for North Dakota and Tom Campbell, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to timely refund or redesignate 2018 General Election contributions totaling \$27,200

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within the permissible timeframe after the candidate withdrew from the 2018 North Dakota Primary Election. All contributions have been refunded, albeit untimely.

In a Form 99 (Miscellaneous Text Submission) filed May 13, 2019, the Respondents stated that they were unaware of the requirement to return contributions and that funds were returned upon notification from RAD.

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 960**. 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,

Rosa Marshall

Rosa Marshall
Assistant Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office