



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 21, 2020

Patrick Krason, Treasurer
Free Forever Political Action Committee
1506 Kanawha Blvd, West
Charleston, WV 25387

Response Due Date
October 31, 2020

Re: ADR 976 (RAD 20L-18)
Free Forever Political Action Committee and Patrick Krason, Treasurer (C00721910)

Dear Patrick Krason:

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 Free Forever Political Action Committee which reflect a possible failure to comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

An email was sent to your office on September 29, 2020, regarding an opportunity to participate in the ADR program at the Commission to resolve this matter. To date, the Commission has received no response. 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 Free Forever Political Action Committee and Patrick Krason, 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 Free Forever Political Action Committee and Patrick Krason, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to timely file one (1) 48-Hour Report totaling

\$110,050 to support four (4) independent expenditures disclosed on the 2020 April Quarterly Report.

In a Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) filed on June 30, 2020, the Committee stated that the error was an oversight and further notes that the independent expenditures were properly disclosed on the 2020 April Quarterly Report. In addition, the Committee states that new procedures have been put in place to prevent similar errors in the future.

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 by October 31, 2020 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 976**. 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,



Joshua Rebollozo
ADR Specialist
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

Enclosures:

Commitment to Participate in ADR & Designation of Representative/Counsel