



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

December 15, 2020

Jeffrey Carson, Treasurer  
Democratic Progress  
1550 Larimer St  
Denver, CO 80202

**Response Due Date  
January 6, 2021**

Re: ADR 986 (RAD 20L-25)  
Democratic Progress and Jeffrey Carson, Treasurer (C00744813)

Dear Jeffrey Carson:

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) was based on a review of reports filed by Democratic Progress 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 Democratic Progress and Jeffrey Carson, 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 Democratic Progress and Jeffrey Carson, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for amending its 2020 12-Day Pre-Primary Report to disclose additional debts of \$122,480.

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION, ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION OFFICE  
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The Committee filed a Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) on September 21, 2020 stating the additional debts disclosed on the Pre-Primary Report were related to independent expenditures that had been previously reported on 24-Hour Reports filed on May 19, 2020. Further, the Committee states the failure to disclose the debts on the Pre-Primary report was the result of a data entry error, and additionally notes it has since corrected its practice to avoid similar errors from occurring 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 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 986**. 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 A Rebollozo  
ADR Specialist  
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office