September 17, 2015

<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ray Cashman Executive Director Democracy Rules Inc. P.O. Box 410356 San Francisco, CA 94141-0356

RE: Advisory Opinion Request 2015-03

Dear Mr. Cashman:

This letter responds to your letter received on June 4, 2015, requesting an advisory opinion on behalf of Democracy Rules Inc. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Commission has concluded its consideration of your advisory opinion request without issuing an advisory opinion.

The Commission publicly released four draft advisory opinions in response to your request. The drafts were identified as Agenda Document No. 15-38-A (released on July 13, 2015), Agenda Document Nos. 15-38-B and 15-38-C (released on August 7, 2015), and Agenda Document No. 15-38-D (released on September 17, 2015). These agenda documents are available on the Commission's website, at www.fec.gov.

At its Open Meeting of September 17, 2015, the Commission considered but did not approve any of the draft advisory opinions. The Commission voted 3-3 on Agenda Document No. 15-38-D. The affirmative vote of four members of the Commission is required to render an advisory opinion under the Federal Election Campaign Act. *See* 52 U.S.C §§ 30106(c), 30107(a)(7); *see also* 11 C.F.R. § 112.4(a). Thus, the Commission was unable to render an opinion in this matter.

If you have any questions, please contact Neven Stipanovic or Tony Buckley, attorneys in this Office, at 202/694-1650.

Sincerely,

(signed) Adav Noti Acting Associate General Counsel