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Request for Advisory Opinion: Candidate Name Abbreviation

Dear Counsel:

My request is straightforward, so I'm hoping you can advise me quickly.

Background

I was born in California and have lived here for 69 years. I am in the process of forming a Non-Connected Committee (NCC). To date I've only expended personal funds and no 3rd party contributions have been received. I have not made a final decision whether I'll proceed with the NCC yet. The goal of the Committee is the defeat of Donald Trump's 2020 Presidential re-election bid.

Request

I understand the use of Donald Trump would not be permitted in my NCC's name. I am requesting an opinion on whether the abbreviation 'DT' could be used. Examples would be 'The Defeat DT Campaign' or 'The Campaign Committee Against DT's Re-election'.

Should you need further information, feel free to email me at [Redacted], or call me on my cellphone, [Redacted]. Living on the West Coast, I am of course 3 hours behind your East Coast time.

Thank you so much for your advice,



Philip Shemanski

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