



Republican
National
Committee

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Mr. Lawrence M. Noble
General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 4250: request for extension of time to respond

Dear Mr. Noble:

Today I received notification of the Office of the General Counsel's ("OGC") recommendation that the Commission find probable cause to believe that a knowing and willful violation occurred in the above captioned MUR. While your office's letter was dated December 23, 1998, I did not receive it until today because the Republican National Committee ("RNC") was closed for the holidays.

The RNC respectfully requests a 30-day extension of time, or until February 3, 1999, to respond to the OGC's probable cause recommendation and brief. The RNC requests this extension of time to enable it to submit a comprehensive response brief to assist the Commission in expeditiously resolving this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 863-8638.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas J. Josefiak