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**BY HAND**

December 16, 1999

Neil Reiff, Esq.  
Sandler & Reiff, P.C.  
6 E. Street, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20003

RE: MUR 4250  
Republican National Committee  
National Policy Forum

Dear Mr. Reiff:

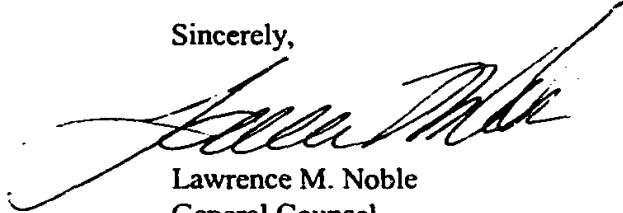
This letter is to clarify the Commission's disposition of the allegations raised in the Democratic National Committee's complaint of August 23, 1995 concerning the activities of the National Policy Forum. As referenced in our letter to Mr. Sandler of December 13, 1999, on June 17, 1997, the Commission failed to approve this Office's reason to believe recommendations that the Republican National Committee and its treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(f), 441(b) or 434(a)(1), or 11 C.F.R. §§ 102.5(a)(1) or 106.5(g)(1). However, on the same date, the Commission did find reason to believe the RNC violated 2 U.S.C. § 441e and commenced an investigation. On November 18, 1999, the Commission failed to find probable cause to believe the RNC and its former Chairman violated 2 U.S.C. § 441e. The matter was not officially dismissed until November 30, 1999, when the Commission voted to close the file. Therefore, the official dismissal date is November 30<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the General Counsel's Report recommending probable cause to believe was provided to Mr. Sandler with our December 13<sup>th</sup> letter.

Enclosed now please find a copy of the First General Counsel's Report addressing the allegations in the initial complaint. We regret any inconvenience resulting from the initial notification; our Office is presently undergoing renovations, forcing the temporary closing of our docket office.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lawrence M. Noble".

Lawrence M. Noble  
General Counsel

Enclosure:

First General Counsel's Report

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