



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Joseph E. Sandler
Neil P. Reiff
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RE: MURs 4549 and 4558
(Democratic National Committee)

Dear Messrs. Sandler and Reiff:

On November 5, 1996, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") notified the Democratic National Committee ("the Committee") of a complaint alleging a violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the FECA"); the complaint was designated MUR 4549. On November 6, 1996, the Commission notified the Committee of another complaint alleging certain FECA violations; this complaint was designated MUR 4558.

On March 2, 1999, the Commission, based on the information contained in MUR 4549, found that there is no reason to believe that the Committee violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(ii) and closed the file for this matter. On the same date, the Commission also reviewed the allegation in MUR 4558 stating that the Committee was required to file a pre-general election report pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(ii). Based on the information provided in the complaint, the Commission found that there is no reason to believe that the Committee violated this FECA provision and closed the file in this matter with respect to this allegation.

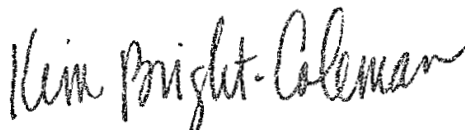
The confidentiality provisions no longer apply to the remainder of MURs 4549 and 4558 and these matters are now public. Although the complete files for these matters must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the files may be placed on the public record

before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

If you have any questions, please contact Andre G. Pineda, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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General Counsel



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Associate General Counsel

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report