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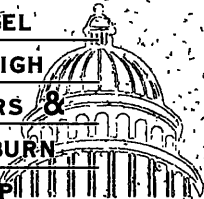
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VIA FACSIMILE
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Ms. Dominique Dillenseger
Office of General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: **MUR 4788**

Dear Ms. Dillenseger:

Our office recently received a letter from FEC Chairman Scott E. Thomas indicating that the Commission had found reason to believe that our clients, the California Democratic Party and Katherine Moret, as treasurer, had violated the Federal Election Campaign Act, and providing 30 days in which to respond to your subpoena for records and provide additional information. This response is currently due August 11, 1999.

This letter is to request an extension of time in which to provide the information and documents which the Commission has requested. The extension is being requested due to the need for additional time to conduct a thorough document search and to identify and communicate with all persons having knowledge of the matters included in your subpoena and order to provide written answers. Our client, the California Democratic Party, has had significant turnover in its staff since the events in question. For these reasons, we are requesting an additional 30 days. We would therefore expect to file our response on or before September 10, 1999.

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Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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