



Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
House of Representatives
The Capitol
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00901

Hon. Aníbal Acevedo Vilá

House Minority Leader
Popular Democratic Party

June 1, 2000

Office of General Counsel
Federal Elections Commission
999 E Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 4934

Dear Sir or Madam:

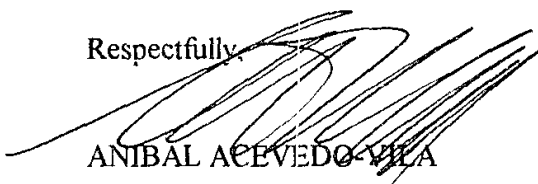
Enclosed please find a copy of a letter received from the respondent in the matter of reference. In the letter the respondent threatens to take legal action against the undersigned -the complainant- if the complaint filed on October 7, 1999 is not withdrawn within seven (7) days. I believe the complainant's conduct is highly irregular, if not illegal. Therefore, I hereby respectfully request that the letter be included as an additional document related to the complaint as provided under 11 C.F.R. 111.4(d)(4).

Also, in the letter respondent refers to certain news reports based on anonymous sources in which I am charged of wrongdoing. For your reference, I hereby include a copy of a sworn statement in which I emphatically deny such accusations.

Finally, please advice the status of the investigation. If you or your staff has any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Please proceed accordingly.

Respectfully,


ANIBAL ACEVEDO-VILA

Enclosures (3)

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Representative Aníbal Acevedo Vilá
Capitol Building
Puerta de Tierra
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Dear Mr. Acevedo:

On the seventh day of October 1999 you submitted a complaint against me, signed under oath, for an alleged violation of the federal election campaign laws. Your statement was based on a sworn statement made by Andrés Sánchez Delgado, which you endorsed and relied on, assuming and accepting as true all the libelous and defamatory charges made by him against my District Director Domingo García. In your complaint you stated, without any evidence whatsoever, that I had been given an amount of money for intervening in the alleged favoritism to Dr. Carlos Rodríguez Mateo.

At all times you knew that I had no governmental, administrative or executive authority over the persons making the decision to sell to Dr. Rodríguez Mateo. As a matter of fact on March 30th, 2000 you stated that Andrés Sánchez Delgado did not have any credibility whatsoever. I asked you publicly, as a result of your public statement regarding the lack of credibility of Andrés Sánchez Delgado, to withdraw your complaint, which was solely based on the perjured statement of Andrés Sánchez Delgado. So far you have failed to do so.

More recently, the local press has published information, supported by sworn statements corroborated by a polygraph expert, that you have been involved in bribing Andrés Sánchez Delgado to make the statements which you made part of your complaint. If the ongoing investigation corroborates this information, you have committed some very serious crimes indeed.

I hereby demand that you withdraw your complaint within the next seven (7) days, on or before June 7, with copy to me. Otherwise, I shall take the appropriate legal action against you.

Cordially,

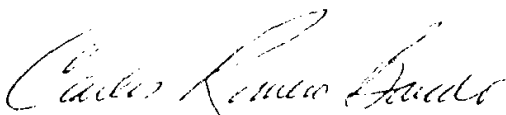

Carlos Romero-Barceló

Figure 1 illustrates the steps of the proposed algorithm for finding a minimum spanning tree. The process starts with a graph with 10 nodes and 15 edges. The algorithm iteratively selects edges with the minimum weight that do not create a cycle or result in a vertex with a degree greater than 2. The steps are as follows:

- (a) Initial graph with 10 nodes and 15 edges.
- (b) Select edge (1,2) with weight 1.
- (c) Select edge (2,3) with weight 1.
- (d) Select edge (3,4) with weight 1.
- (e) Select edge (4,5) with weight 1.
- (f) Select edge (5,6) with weight 1.
- (g) Select edge (6,7) with weight 1.
- (h) Select edge (7,8) with weight 1.
- (i) Select edge (8,9) with weight 1.
- (j) Select edge (9,10) with weight 1.
- (k) Select edge (1,3) with weight 2.
- (l) Final minimum spanning tree with 9 edges and total weight 9.

- 1 That my name and personal circumstances are as stated above
2. That almost two weeks ago Mr. Reynaldo Alegria, Esq. with legal offices in the Municipality of Bayamón, called me at my office at the Puerto Rico House of Representatives Mr. Alegria, Esq., told me that someone called him from the legal office of Mr. Hector Santiago, Esq., asking him to notarize a sworn statement of a client of Mr. Santiago, Esq. That Mr. José Gil Colón went to his office When Mr. Alegria learned that the object of the sworn statement was the CDT facility in Salinas, Mr. Alegria decided not to notarize the statement without getting to know the whole story behind it.
- 3 That Mr. Santiago is the lawyer of the Mayor of the Municipality of Bayamón, who had previously notarized a sworn statement of Mr. Andres Sanchez Delgado in Mr. Delgado's sworn statement, he implicates me in a bribe, which in turn he later denied in another sworn statement
- 4 That I have never in my life given or facilitated for someone to give money to Mr. Nicolas Nogueras, Esq. on this or any other matter
5. That I have never in my life met with Mr. Nicolás Nogueras, Esq. to ask for his intervention in any matter before me nor discussed political strategies of any nature with him
- 6 That I have never in my life met with nor has talked to Mr. Andrés Sánchez. The only time I have ever seen him in person was when he testified before the House's Government Committee.
7. That I have never visited a place named Saint Tropez neither do I know its owner Mr. John Vannos
8. That there is no staff person in my office with the name of Carlos Muñiz
- 9 That I do not know Mr. José Gil Colón Rodríguez, nor has that seen him in the company of Mr. Andrés Sánchez Delgado during the aforementioned House's Government Committee hearing
- 10 That on August 14, 1999, I stayed overnight with my family at the Villa Parguera Hotel in the Municipality of Lajas That same day and night, I went to many public activities Among them, the inauguration of the Campaign Headquarters of Mr. Isidro Negrón, the mayoral candidate of the Municipality of San German After that I went to pro-Vieques activities in the municipality of Lajas and then I went to the Villa Parguera Hotel On the morning of Sunday, August 15, I went with my family to Mass at the Catholic Church of La Parguera After that I went to have lunch and then to a political activity with the Mayor of the Municipality of Lajas, Mr. Marcos Irizarry I am including documentation from the Villa Parguera Hotel to certify that I stayed there on August 14, 1999, which shows that it is completely false that I participated in a meeting at the Saint Tropez nightclub that night
- 11 That I voted for the confirmation of the Ombudsman of Puerto Rico, Mr. Carlos Lopez and that I have never made any comments against him nor have received any information regarding Mr. Carlos Lopez, the Port Authority, Navieras, Cipollo or the Housing Department

DECLARACIÓN JURADA

Yo, ANÍBAL ACEVEDO VILÁ, mayor de edad, casado, Representante, residente de Guaynabo, Puerto Rico y número de seguro social bajo el más formal juramento, DECLARO:

1. Que mi nombre y circunstancias personales son las antes indicadas.
2. Que hace alrededor de dos semanas me llamó a mi oficina el licenciado Reynaldo Alegría, con oficinas en Bayamón. Me relató el licenciado Alegría que lo llamaron de la Oficina del licenciado Héctor Santiago para que le hiciera el favor de notarizar una declaración jurada de un cliente del licenciado Santiago. Que fue a su oficina el señor José Gil Colón. Que al percatarse que el objeto de la declaración jurada era el asunto del CDT de Salinas, el licenciado Alegría decidió no notarizar la declaración sin enterarse de todo el contenido de esta.
3. Que el licenciado Santiago es el abogado del Alcalde de Bayamón que anteriormente notarizó una declaración jurada del señor Andrés Sánchez en la que se me imputaba a mi un soborno, declaración jurada que pocos días después Sánchez desmintió mediante otra declaración jurada.
4. Que nunca en mi vida le he entregado o he facilitado que se le entregue cantidad de dinero alguna al licenciado Nicolás Noguerras sobre ningún asunto.
5. Que nunca en mi vida me he reunido con el licenciado Noguerras para solicitarle a él su intervención en asunto alguno o para discutir con él estrategias políticas de tipo alguno.
6. Que nunca en mi vida me he reunido, ni he sostenido conversación alguna con el señor Andrés Sánchez. La única vez que lo he visto en persona fue cuando fue a testificar a la Comisión de Gobierno de la Cámara.
7. Que nunca en mi vida he visitado el negocio Saint Tropez ni conozco a su dueño el señor John Vannos.
8. Que en mi oficina no labora ninguna persona de nombre Carlos Muñiz.
9. Que no conozco al señor José Gil Colón Rodríguez, más allá de haberlo visto como acompañante de Andres Sánchez Delgado a la vista de la Comisión de Gobierno de la Cámara.
10. Que el sábado 14 de agosto de 1999 me quedé a dormir con mi familia en el Hotel Villa Parguera en Lajas. Que ese día fui a varias actividades entre ellas, durante la noche, la inauguración del Comité de Campaña del señor Isidro Negrón, candidato a alcalde de San Germán, de donde pase a una actividad pública Pro-Vieques en el Valle de Lajas y luego fui a pernoctar al Hotel Villa Parguera. Que el domingo 15 de agosto fui con mi familia a la misa de la



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Iglesia Católica de la Parguera y luego participé en un almuerzo y después a una actividad política con el alcalde de Lajas, Marcos Irizarry. Acompaño una certificación del Hotel Villa Parguera a los efectos de que me hospedé en dicha hospedería el 14 de agosto de 1999. Por ende, es claramente falso que el 14 de agosto en la noche participé en una reunión en el negocio Saint Tropez.

11. Que voté a favor de la confirmación del señor Carlos López como Ombudsman y nunca he hecho expresiones en su contra, ni he recibido de Nicolás Noguera información alguna sobre esta persona ni sobre los escándalos de Puertos, Navieras, Cipollo y Vivienda.
12. Que nunca le he entregado ni he ofrecido o hecho que se le ofrezca o entregue cantidad de dinero alguna a la señora Sonia Muñiz ni a persona alguna para que hable o brinde información sobre ningún candidato político.

En San Juan, Puerto Rico, a 16 de mayo de 2000.

Affidavit Núm. 9517

Jurado y suscrito a mí por ANÍBAL ACEVEDO VILÁ, de las circunstancias personales antes indicadas, a quien Doy Fe de conocer personalmente, en San Juan, Puerto Rico, a 16 de mayo de 2000.




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