



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 23, 2000

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Mr. Rory Reid, Chair  
Nevada State Democratic Party  
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RE: MUR 5007

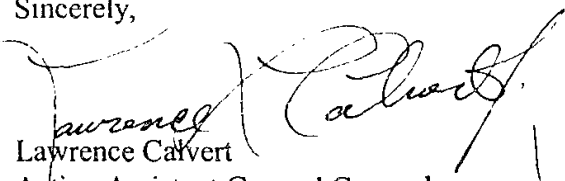
Dear Mr. Reid:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on May 2, 2000, concerning the Friends of John Porter Inc. Based on that complaint, on August 1, 2000, the Commission found that there was reason to believe the Friends of John Porter Inc. and George Swarts, as treasurer ("Committee"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 441d(a)(1), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission determined to take no further action against the Committee, and closed the file in this matter on August 1, 2000. At the same time, the Commission admonished the Committee that financing a communication which expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate, without a disclaimer which clearly states the name of the political committee which paid for and authorized it, is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441d(a).

This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

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

Sincerely,

  
Lawrence Calvert  
Acting Assistant General Counsel

Enclosure  
First General Counsel's Report