



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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John Lapp, Executive Director
Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee
430 S. Capital Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

RE: MUR 5026

Dear Mr. Lapp:

This is in reference to the complaint the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee filed with the Federal Election Commission on June 9, 2000, regarding Zimmer 2000, Inc. and Maria Chappa, in her official capacity as treasurer ("Zimmer 2000"), New Jersey Citizens for Tax Reform ("NJCTR"), Jamestown Associates LLC ("Jamestown"), Larry Weitzner, Fox Media Consulting LLC ("Fox Media"), Tom Blakely, Dick Zimmer and Megan Jencik. Based on the complaint, the Commission found that there was reason to believe that: Zimmer 2000 violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b), 441a(f) and 441b; New Jersey Citizens for Tax Reform violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(1) and 441a(a)(3); Jamestown violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(1), 441a(a)(3) and 441b; Fox Media violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1), 441a(a)(3) and 441b; Larry Weitzner 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1), 441a(a)(3) and 441b; and Tom Blakely violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1), 441a(a)(3) and 441b, provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and instituted an investigation in the matter.

After an investigation was conducted and the General Counsel's Brief and the respondents' Joint Brief were considered, on October 6, 2005, the Commission found that there was probable cause to believe that: Zimmer 2000 violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b) and 441b by receiving in-kind corporate contributions and failing to report those contributions; Jamestown and Larry Weitzner knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by receiving in-kind corporate contributions on behalf of Zimmer 2000, Inc.; and Fox Media and Tom Blakely knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b by receiving in-kind corporate contributions on behalf of Zimmer 2000, Inc. The Commission also closed the file.

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A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information, and Statements of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow. Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). 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 Marianne Abely, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lawrence H. Norton by [initials]".

Lawrence H. Norton
General Counsel

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report

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