



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: MUR 5142
Forbes, Inc.

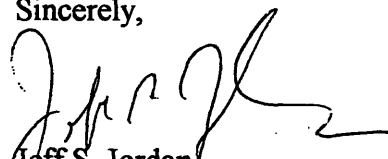
Dear Mr. Sullivan:

This is in response to your letter dated November 20, 2000, requesting an extension until December 15, 2000, to respond to the complaint in the above-noted matter.

Considering the Federal Election Commission's responsibilities to act expeditiously in the conduct of investigations, the Office of the General Counsel cannot grant your full request, but can only agree to an extension until December 12, 2000. Accordingly, the response is due by close of business on December 12, 2000.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,


Jeff S. Jordan
Supervisory Attorney
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