



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE: MUR 5158

Dear Mr. Svoboda:

On November 29, 2000, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Stabenow for U.S. Senate and Angela M. Autera, as treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

On November 4, 2003, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint and information provided by your clients, that there is no reason to believe Stabenow for U.S. Senate and Angela M. Autera, as treasurer, violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter as it pertains to Stabenow for U.S. Senate and Angela M. Autera, as treasurer.

The Commission reminds you that the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) remain in effect, and that this matter is still open with respect to other respondents. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed, at which time you will be sent a copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Dutt, the attorney assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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