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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of)

Dallas County Republican Party, and)
Jill Mellinger, as Treasurer)

MUR 5186

SENSITIVE

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT #2

I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED:

Accept the attached conciliation agreement with the Dallas County Republican Party and Jill Mellinger, as treasurer (collectively, "the Committee"), and close the file in this matter.

II. DISCUSSION .

This case originated as a RAD referral, and pre-dates the inception of the Administrative Fines program. The Commission found reason to believe that the Respondents violated the Act by failing to timely file the Committee's 2000 April Quarterly Report. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i). At the same time, the Commission approved a proposed conciliation agreement that provided for a civil penalty. Following several phone discussions and correspondence with Respondent's counsel, the Committee submitted the attached signed conciliation agreement on August 22, 2001.

For these reasons, this Office recommends the Commission accept the signed conciliation agreement with the Dallas County Republican Party and Jill Mellinger, as treasurer, and close the file.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with the Dallas County Republican Party and Jill Mellinger, as treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letter.
3. Close the file.

Lois G. Lerner
Acting General Counsel

9/10/01
Date

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Attachment

- 1- Conciliation Agreement
- 2- Photocopy of cashier's check for civil penalty

Staff Assigned: Lawrence Calvert
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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Commission Secretary
FROM: Office of General Counsel *rd*
DATE: September 10, 2001
SUBJECT: MUR 5186 – General Counsel's Rpt. #2

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