



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE: MUR 5251  
Friends of Joe Rogers  
Angela Wilhite, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Federal Election Commission previously notified your clients of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On March 1, 2004, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that your clients, Friends of Joe Rogers Exploratory Committee, now known as Friends of Joe Rogers, and Angela Wilhite as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 433(a), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action and closed its file.

In addition, the Commission found no reason to believe that Friends of Joe Rogers Exploratory Committee, now known as Friends of Joe Rogers, and Angela Wilhite as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b) and 441a(f). A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

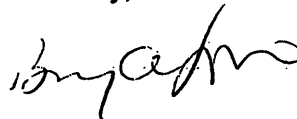
The Commission reminds your clients that failing to timely file a Statement of Organization is a violation of the Act. 2 U.S.C. § 433(a). You should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future.

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).

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

Sincerely,



Bradley A. Smith  
Chairman

Enclosure  
General Counsel's Report

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