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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
 ) MUR 4736  
Brian Babin )  
Brian Babin for Congress )  
and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer )

**SENSITIVE**

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

**I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED**

Accept the attached signed agreement submitted by Brian Babin  
and Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer, and close the file as  
to them.

**II. BACKGROUND**

On September 20, 2001, the Commission found probable cause to believe that  
Brian Babin violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(f) and 441b, and that Dr. Babin's principal  
campaign committee, Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer  
("Babin Committee"), violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434, 441a(a)(8), 441a(f) and 441b.

On October 10, 2001, in light of the  
October 22 statute of limitations, the Commission authorized this Office to file a civil suit

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Accordingly, this Office recommends that the Commission accept the attached signed agreement from Brian Babin and Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer, and close the file as to these respondents.

**IV. RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Accept the attached agreement submitted by Brian Babin and Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer.
2. Close the file with respect to Brian Babin and Brian Babin for Congress and Thomas E. Freeman, as treasurer.

3. Approve the appropriate letter.

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Date



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