



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D C 20463

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RE: MUR 5387
Welch for Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer
Citizens for Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer
Senator Robert T. Welch

Dear Mr Mohrman:

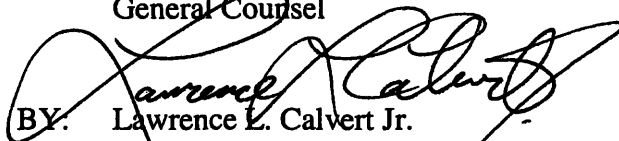
The Federal Election Commission previously notified your clients of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. On December 10, 2004, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, responses to the complaint, and information available to the public that there is no reason to believe your clients, Welch for Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer; Citizens for Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer; and Senator Robert T. Welch, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441i, a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

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). A copy of the General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

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

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton
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BY: 
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Enclosure
General Counsel's Report