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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

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RE: MUR 6132

Dear Mr. Sandler:

On November 21, 2008, the Federal Election Commission notified your client, Queen Anne's County Democratic Central Committee, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("Act"). On June 25, 2009, based upon the information contained in the complaint, and information provided by your client, the Commission decided to dismiss the complaint and closed its file in this matter.

Based on the information before the Commission, it appears that the Committee may have potentially failed to use the appropriate disclaimers on its campaign advertisements, as referenced in the complaint. Specifically, the advertisements potentially could be characterized as a form of "public communication," under 11 C.F.R. § 100.26. Therefore, the advertisements may have required an appropriate federal disclaimer, which would have noted that the federal candidate did not authorize the advertisements. *See* 2 U.S.C. §§ 441d(a) and (c), and 11 C.F.R. §§ 110.11(a)-(c). Thus, the Commission cautions the Committee to take steps in order to ensure that its conduct is in compliance with the Act and Commission regulations.

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 dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

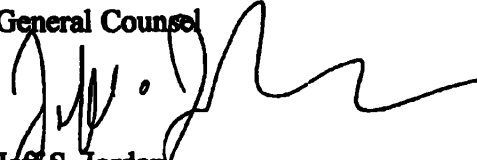
For further information on policies and procedures involving the regulation of the Federal Election Campaign Act please refer to the Commission's website at www.fec.gov or contact the Commission's Public Information Division at (202) 694-1100.

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If you have any questions, please contact Frankie D. Hampton, the paralegal assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Thomasenia P. Duncan
General Counsel

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeff S. Jordan', is written over the printed name and title of the signatory.

BY: Jeff S. Jordan
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Enclosure
General Counsel's Report

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