



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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December 7, 2010

John D. Stevens
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Huntingdon, TN 38344

RE: MUR 6277

Dear Mr. Stevens:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated April 7, 2010, but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe that Robert E. Kirkland violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(A) or that Kirkland for Congress and Ronald H. Kirkland, in his official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(f) and 434(b), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. Accordingly, on December 1, 2010, the Commission closed the file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

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. 70426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66132 (Dec. 14, 2009).

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact Thomas J. Andersen, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter G. Blumberg".

Peter G. Blumberg
Assistant General Counsel

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