



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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RE: MUR 6386
Steve Fincher for Congress and
Phyllis Patterson, in her official
capacity as treasurer

Dear Mr. Burke:

On October 6, 2010, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, Steve Fincher for Congress and Phyllis Patterson, in her official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint alleging that your clients had violated certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act").

On June 14, 2011, the Commission considered the complaint, but there was an insufficient number of votes to find reason to believe Steve Fincher for Congress and Phyllis Patterson, in her official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(3)(E) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(d)(4), and there was an insufficient number of votes to find no reason to believe that Steve Fincher for Congress and Phyllis Patterson, in her official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). 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) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66132 (Dec. 14, 2009). One or more Statements of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

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

Sincerely,

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