

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
)	MURs 7190 and 7208
Alaska Republican Party and Donald)	
Handeland in his official capacity as)	
treasurer; Lisa Murkowski for U.S.)	
Senate and Catherine Straub in her)	
official capacity as treasurer; Chairman)	
Tuckerman Babcock; Vice Chairman)	
Rick Whitbeck; Senator Lisa Murkowski)	

CERTIFICATION

I, Vicktoria J. Allen, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on August 20, 2019, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 2-2 to:
 - a. Find reason to believe that Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30104(b) and 30116(a) in connection with the absentee ballot mailer and the voter targeting.
 - b. Find reason to believe that Tuckerman Babcock and Rick Whitbeck violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) in connection with the absentee ballot mailer and the voter targeting.
 - c. Find reason to believe that Lisa Murkowski and Lisa Murkowski for U.S. Senate and Catherine Straub in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(f) and 30104(b) in connection with absentee ballot mailer and the voter targeting.

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Hunter and Petersen dissented.

2. Failed by a vote of 2-2 to:

- a. Find no reason to believe that Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b).
- b. Find no reason to believe that Lisa Murkowski for U.S. Senate and Catherine Straub in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b).
- c. Find no reason to believe that Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer, Tuckerman Babcock, or Rick Whitbeck violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a).
- d. Find no reason to believe that Lisa Murkowski or Lisa Murkowski for U.S. Senate and Catherine Straub in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(f).
- e. Find reason to believe that Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30120 and 11 C.F.R. § 110.11(d)(2).
- f. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated February 15, 2019, subject to the edits circulated by Vice Chairman Petersen's Office on August 15, 2019 at 4:25 p.m.
- g. Enter into conciliation with Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
- h. Approve the conciliation agreement with Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer.
- i. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Hunter and Petersen voted affirmatively for the motion. Commissioners

Walther and Weintraub dissented.

3. Decided by a vote of 4-0 to:
- a. Find no reason to believe that Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) with respect to the transfers only.
 - b. Find no reason to believe that Lisa Murkowski for U.S. Senate and Catherine Straub in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) with respect to the transfers only.
 - c. Find reason to believe that Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30120 and 11C.F.R. § 110.11(d)(2).
 - d. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated February 15, 2019, and the relevant portions circulated by Vice Chairman Petersen's Office on August 15, 2019 at 4:25 p.m.
 - e. Enter into conciliation with Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
 - f. Approve the conciliation agreement with Alaska Republican Party and Donald Handeland in his official capacity as treasurer.
 - g. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

8/23/19

Date



Vicktoria J. Allen
Acting Deputy Secretary of the
Commission