

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

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 The Commission

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SUBJECT:

MUR 7223 (Applegate for Congress) Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation

On March 6, 2018, the Commission found reason to believe that Applegate for Congress and Jane Leiderman in her official capacity as treasurer ("Committee"), violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) by failing to report \$373,530.14 in disbursements prior to the 2016 general election. The Commission authorized the Office of the General Counsel to engage in pre-probable cause conciliation with the Committee. Attached is a negotiated conciliation agreement that has been signed by counsel for the Committee. Attachment 1. We recommend that the Commission accept this agreement and close the file in this matter.

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We believe this negotiated settlement represents an acceptable resolution of the matter. We therefore recommend that the Commission accept the signed conciliation agreement with the Committee and close the file.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Accept the attached conciliation agreement.
 - 2. Approve the appropriate letter.
 - 3. Close the file.

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