

Mary Beth deBeau

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From: Richard Wheeler
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Attention: Mary Beth deBeau, Paralegal

Office of Complaints Examination and Legal Administration

Dear Madam,

This is in reference to MUR-7250

I've received notice of a complaint that I've violated election law, but it is unclear to me just how.

I am one of several writers who wrote in defense of public lands, and my brief contribution defined this as stewardship for future generations. I was glad to contribute. I understood that the material would appear in a newspaper supplement.

No money or anything of value was offered or received for this expression of my opinion. It has no monetary or other value that I know of.

If there is need for a defense here, it is simply that I was exercising my constitutional right of free speech.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Wheeler