Office of General Counsel **Federal Election Commission** 999 E Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

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To whom it may concern:

The latest FEC filing by the campaign committee Jeff Beals for Congress (NY-19) includes a \$56,000 loan made by the candidate. But according to the candidate's Financial Disclosure Report of assets filed with the Clerk of the House of Representatives on June 19 of this year, Mr. Beals had no assets.

My understanding is that the law does not permit candidates to borrow or receive as gifts funds that they then donate to themselves. To quote from your website: "If any person, including a relative or friend of the candidate, gives or loans the candidate money "for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office," the funds are not considered personal funds of the candidate even if they are given to the candidate directly."

I ask that this matter be investigated and that appropriate action be taken.

Sincerely,

Dr. Elinor Burkett

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on the  $Q_{N}^{(4)}$  day of November, 2017.

Patricia A Cincotta Notary Public, State of New York No. 01Cl6353442 Qualified in Delaware County\_ Commission Expires 1/23/20