

To: Federal Election Commission, Office of Complaints Examination

Attn: Christal Dennis

From: Danny Tarkanian, candidate Nevada CD-4 in 2012

Re: MUR 7415

Dear Federal Election Commission:

I am in receipt of a complaint filed with your office based upon actions allegedly taken in my 2012 Congressional campaign, MUR 7415. Below is my response to said complaint:

At no time did I or my campaign accept or receive a contribution from a nonprofit, including the Tarkanian Basketball Academy, Inc. (hereinafter "TBA") The Complainant does not have accurate facts and his opinion and motivation is colored by his rabid support of my primary opponent, Michelle Mortenson. Complainant repeatedly made the same dishonest allegation during the primary on social media but failed to file this complaint until after I beat Ms. Mortenson in the primary.

The complainant refers to a loan TBA provided to a company named JAMD, LLC in 2012. At the time, TBA had cash available which it did not have to use for a short period of time. Instead of keeping the cash in a bank account receiving no or extremely low interest it loaned money to JAMD. The total loan amount was in excess of \$100,000. TBA was paid 5% interest on the loan. Contrary to Complainant's assertions, the loan was repaid in full including the above-mentioned interest. The loan was documented on each company's tax returns as well as the repayment. The loan was also documented in the company's internal bookkeeping.

This matter first came to light when I filed for bankruptcy in 2014. The FDIC hired a very experienced and aggressive lawyer from San Francisco to closely scrutinize the monetary transactions of myself and any companies I was affiliated with. After the extensive review by the FDIC, its attorney, and the bankruptcy trustee, it was concluded that this was a valid loan from TBA to JAMD.

From 2003 through 2010, I personally provided loans to JAMD so that it could start and then complete the development of its commercial center. I lent the company in excess of \$1 million. Over the course of many years, JAMD paid me back the loans plus 5% interest. A small amount of the money repaid to me from JAMD originated from the above-mentioned loan from TBA to JAMD.

The loans and repayments were all recorded on my personal tax returns and JAMD's tax returns. My personal loans to JAMD and JAMD's repayments to me were carefully reviewed by the FDIC, its attorney and the bankruptcy trustee. They came to the conclusion that all of the all loans and repayments were valid.

Sincerely,



Danny Tarkanian

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