

## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
 ) MUR 7491  
 American Ethane Co., LLC; John )  
 Houghtaling; Conservative Louisiana )  
 and Charles R. Spies in his official )  
 capacity as treasurer; Mike Johnson for )  
 Louisiana and William Vanderbrook in )  
 his official capacity as treasurer; Bold )  
 Strategies, LLC; Kyle Ruckert; )  
 Konstantin Nikolaev )

CERTIFICATION

I, Vicktoria J. Allen, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on February 15, 2022, do hereby certify that the Commission failed by a vote of 3-3 to take the following actions in MUR 7491:

1. Authorize pre-probable cause conciliation with American Ethane Co., LLC and John Houghtaling in connection with violations of 52 U.S.C. §§ 30118 and 30121.
2. Approve the Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the Second General Counsel's Report dated February 11, 2021, subject to the edits last circulated by Commissioner Weintraub's Office on September 13, 2021 at 4:49 p.m.
3. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Broussard, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor dissented.

Attest:



**Vicktoria J Allen** Digitally signed by Vicktoria J Allen  
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 Vicktoria J. Allen  
 Acting Deputy Secretary of the Commission