

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

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BY ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

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RE: MUR 7512

Citizens to Elect Carl Wilson Friends of Dallas Heard

Friends of David Brock Smith

Friends of Duane Stark
Friends of Gary Leif
Friends of Tim Freeman
Knute for Governor

Dear Mr. Lindsay:

On August 3, 2021, we notified you that (1) on July 13 and July 15, 2021, the Commission was equally divided on whether to take no action at that time regarding the allegations that, and equally divided on whether to find no reason to believe that, Citizens to Elect Carl Wilson, Friends of Dallas Heard, Friends of David Brock Smith, Friends of Duane Stark, Friends of Gary Leif, and Friends of Tim Freeman knowingly accepted or received prohibited foreign national donations; (2) on July 13 and July 15, 2021, the Commission was equally divided on whether to dismiss the allegations, and equally divided on whether to find no reason to believe, that Knute for Governor violated 52 U.S.C. § 30121(a)(2) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.20(g) by knowingly accepting or receiving prohibited foreign national donations; and (3) on July 15, 2021, the Commission closed its file in the matter. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision is not required in this matter, but if one is issued, it will be provided to you.

On September 2, 2021, we notified you that the Commission voted to reopen the matter for further consideration. On September 28, 2021, the Commission closed its file in the matter.

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Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016).

If you have any questions, please contact Thaddeus H. Ewald, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Mark Allen

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