



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

1 **MEMORANDUM**

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17 SUBJECT: MUR 7535 (Leah for Senate)
18 Amend Finding to Include Current Treasurer
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21 On November 9, 2021, the Commission voted 5-1 to dismiss the allegations that
22 Leah Vukmir and Leah for Senate and Travis Kabrick in his official capacity as treasurer
23 violated 52 U.S.C. § 30125(e)(1)(A) by soliciting excessive contributions, and that Leah
24 for Senate and Travis Kabrick in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C.
25 §§ 30116(f) and 30104(b) by receiving and failing to report excessive, prohibited in-kind
26 contributions in the form of coordinated communications.¹ The Commission then voted
27 to approve the appropriate letters and close the file.²
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29 Subsequent to the filing of the Complaint and Responses in this matter, Leah for
30 Senate changed its treasurer from Travis Kabrick to Thomas Datwyler.³ However, due to
31 an administrative oversight, this Office failed to include the name of the new treasurer in
32 the First General Counsel's Report. As such, the recommendations and ultimate findings
33 contained the name of the former treasurer. We did not discover the changed name until
34 drafting the closing letters.

¹ Certification ¶ 3(a), MUR 7535 (Nov. 15, 2021).

² *Id.* ¶ 3(b). The Commission's other findings are not relevant to the subject of this memo as they did not involve the Leah for Senate committee.

³ *See* Leah for Senate, Amended Statement of Organization (Jan. 14, 2019).

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2 So that the Certification in this matter correctly reflects the name of Leah for
3 Senate's current treasurer, we recommend that the Commission reopen MUR 7535,
4 rescind findings 3(a) and 3(b) which contain the name of the former treasurer, approve
5 recommendations with the same findings except with the name of the new treasurer, and
6 close the file.

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8 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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10 1. Reopen MUR 7535.
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12 2. Rescind findings 3(a) and 3(b).
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14 3. Dismiss allegations that Leah Vukmir and Leah for Senate and Thomas
15 Datwyler, in his official capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C.
16 § 30125(e)(1)(A) by soliciting excessive contributions.
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18 4. Dismiss allegations that Leah for Senate and Thomas Datwyler, in his official
19 capacity as treasurer, violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(f) and 30104(b) by
20 receiving and failing to report excessive, prohibited in-kind contributions in
21 the form of coordinated communications; and
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23 5. Close the file.