

November 8, 2024

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: The Commission

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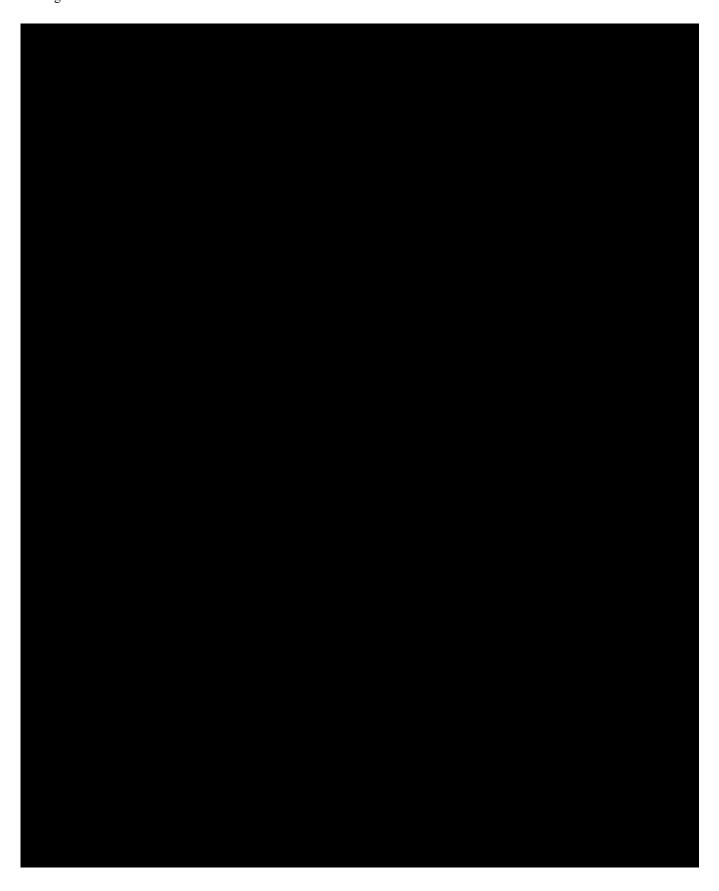
Re: MUR 7680 (Palazzo for Congress, et al.) – Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation

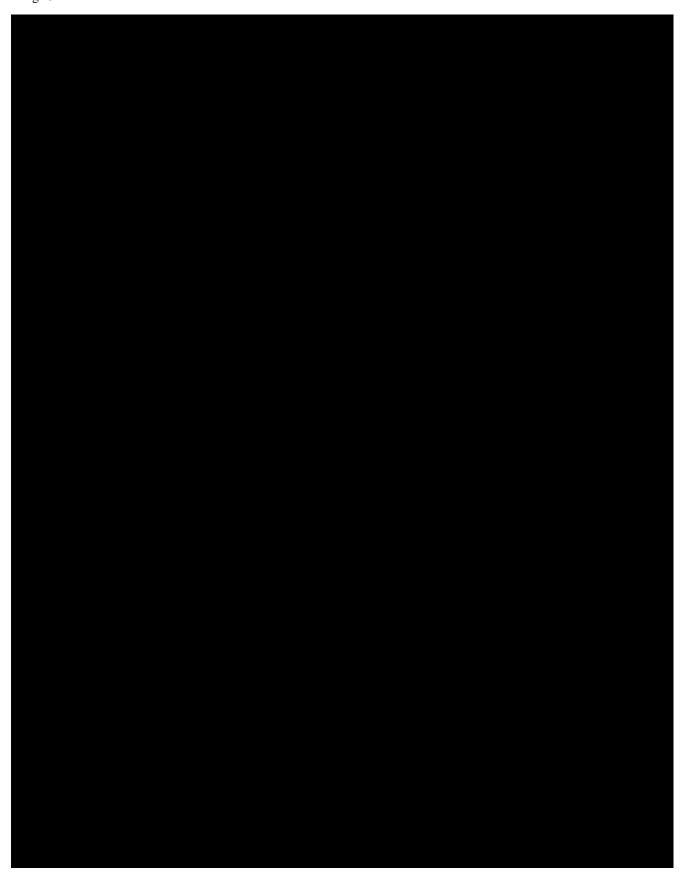
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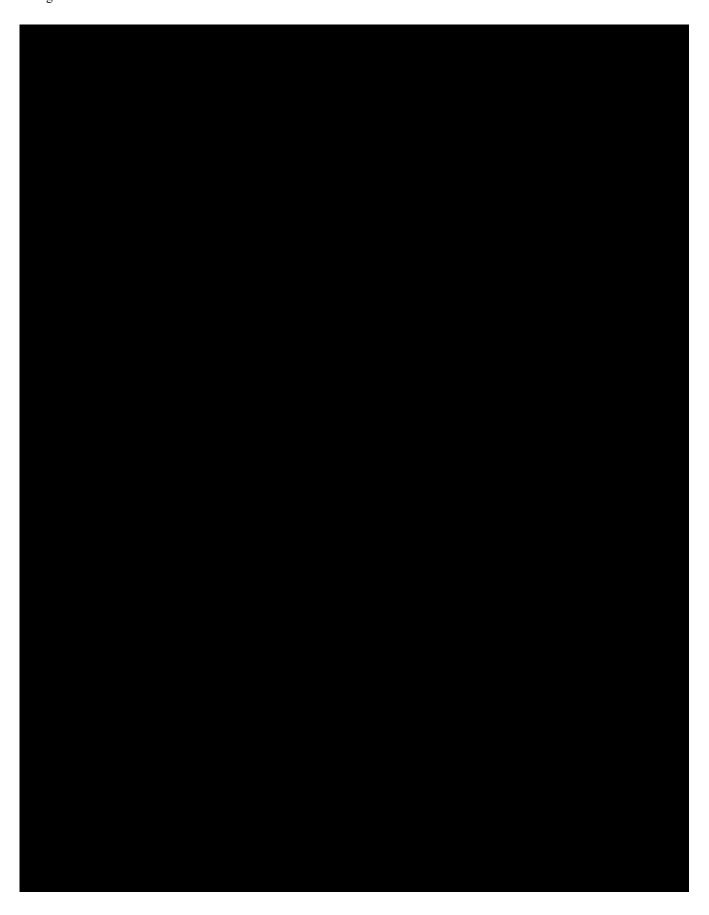
## I. BACKGROUND

The Commission previously found reason to believe that Steven Palazzo and Palazzo for Congress and Paul V. Breazeale in his official capacity as treasurer (the "Committee") violated 52 U.S.C. § 30114(b) by converting campaign funds to personal use. On December 15, 2023, the Commission authorized pre-probable cause conciliation and approved a conciliation agreement

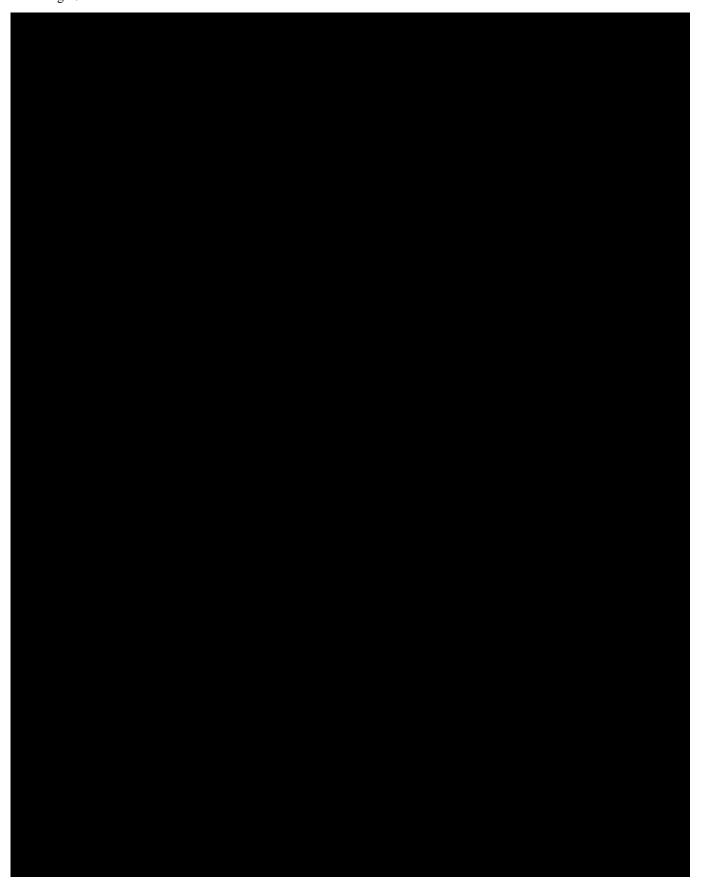
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Certification ("Cert."), ¶¶ 2.a., b., c. (Feb. 10, 2021).













## D. Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, we recommend that the Commission reject Respondents' counteroffer dated October 24, 2024.

## III. RECOMMENDATION

1. Reject Respondents' redlined counteroffer dated October 24, 2024.

