



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

July 5, 2024

Via UPS

Ms. Jennifer Lam
Manager
Society of Young Women
Scientists and Engineers LLC
2323 Kaala Street
Honolulu, HI 96822

RE: MUR 7690
Society of Young Women Scientists
and Engineers LLC
Jennifer Lam

Dear Ms. Lam:

We understand from recent communications with Attorney William Canfield that he no longer represents the Society of Young Women Scientists and Engineers LLC (the "Society") or you in this matter that is currently pending before the Federal Election Commission. We therefore write you because the State of Hawaii Business Registration Division, Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs lists you as the Society's Manager.

Enclosed please find the Commission's notification letters concerning a reason to believe finding as to the Society and the dismissal and partial closing of the file as to you.

Should you decide to retain new counsel to represent the Society in this matter, please complete and return the enclosed Designation of Counsel Form as soon as possible. If you have any questions, you can reach me at ksealls@fec.gov and 202-694-1210.

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. Sealls

Kenneth E. Sealls
Attorney





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July 2, 2024

Via Electronic Mail

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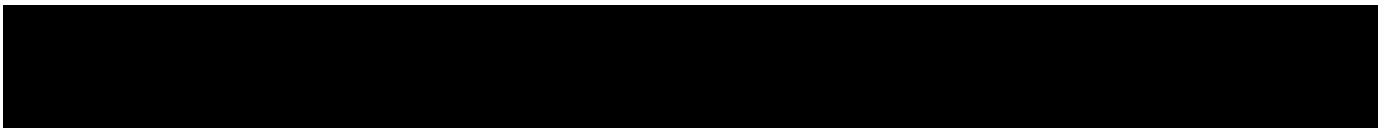
RE: MUR 7690
Society of Young Women Scientists and
Engineers LLC

Dear Mr. Canfield:

On February 1, 2021, you were notified that on January 14, 2021, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that the Society of Young Women Scientists and Engineers LLC (the "Society") violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122, a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). The Factual and Legal Analysis, which formed a basis for the Commission's finding, was provided at that time. The Commission subsequently investigated this violation.

Upon review of the available information, on June 27, 2024, the Commission found reason to believe that the Society knowingly and willfully violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by permitting its name to be used to effect a contribution in the name of another to 1820 PAC. The Commission also dismissed the allegations that the Society violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30102, 30103, and 30104 by failing to organize, register, and report as a political committee. Please note that the Society has a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to this matter until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

In order to expedite the resolution of this matter, the Commission has authorized the Office of General Counsel to enter into negotiations directed toward reaching a conciliation agreement with the Society in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Pre-probable cause conciliation is not mandated by the Act or the Commission's regulations but is a voluntary step in the enforcement process that the Commission is offering the Society as a way to resolve this matter at an early stage and without the need for briefing the issue of whether the Commission should find probable cause to believe that the Society violated the law.



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If your client is interested in engaging in pre-probable cause conciliation, please contact Kenneth Sealls, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1210 or ksealls@fec.gov within seven days of receipt of this letter. During conciliation, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the resolution of this matter. Because the Commission only enters into pre-probable cause conciliation in matters that it believes have a reasonable opportunity for settlement, we may proceed to the next step in the enforcement process if a mutually acceptable conciliation agreement cannot be reached within sixty (60) days. Conversely, if your client is not interested in pre-probable cause conciliation, the Commission may conduct formal discovery or proceed to the next step in the enforcement process. Please note that once the Commission enters the next step in the enforcement process, it may decline to engage in further settlement discussions until after making a probable cause finding.

Pre-probable cause conciliation, extensions of time, and other enforcement procedures and options are discussed more comprehensively in the Commission's "Guidebook for Complainants and Respondents on the FEC Enforcement Process," which is available on the Commission's website at http://www.fec.gov/em/respondent_guide.pdf. Please be advised that, although the Commission cannot disclose information regarding an investigation to the public, it may share information on a confidential basis with other law enforcement agencies.¹

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(4)(B) and 30109(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

We look forward to your response.

On behalf of the Commission,



Sean J. Cooksey
Chairman

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¹ The Commission has the statutory authority to refer knowing and willful violations of the Act to the Department of Justice for potential criminal prosecution, 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(5)(C), and to report information regarding violations of law not within its jurisdiction to appropriate law enforcement authorities. *Id.* § 30107(a)(9).



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RE: MUR 7690
Jennifer Lam

Dear Mr. Canfield:

On February 5, 2020, the Federal Election Commission notified your client, Jennifer Lam, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was forwarded to your client at that time.

Upon further review of the allegations contained in the complaint, and information supplied by your client, the Commission, on June 27, 2024, voted to dismiss the allegations as they pertain to your client.

You are advised that the confidentiality provisions of 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(12)(A) remain in effect, and that this matter is still open with respect to other respondents. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed.

If you have any questions, please contact Kenneth Sealls, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1210.

Sincerely,

Ana J. Peña-Wallace

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Assistant General Counsel