



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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RE: P-MUR 668
Salvemos A Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Spies and Ms. Reynolds:

The Federal Election Commission (“Commission”), has ascertained information in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities indicating that your clients Salvemos A Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes in his official capacity as treasurer may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the “Act”).¹ Specifically, it appears that your clients may have misreported their source of contributions and violated coordinate communication standards. This misreporting and coordinate communication may have violated the Act, including but not limited to 52 U.S.C. § 30104 (inaccurate reporting), 30122 (contributions in the name of another). We have numbered this matter P-MUR 668.

The Act affords your clients the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against Salvemos A Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes in his official capacity as treasurer. If you wish to file a response, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission’s consideration of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath by persons with relevant knowledge. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel’s Office, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

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. 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, including the Department of Justice.² While the matter remains open, it will remain confidential as set forth above. After the matter is closed, certain documents from the file will be made available to the public on the Commission’s website. To learn more about the agency’s disclosure policy, please see 81 Fed. Reg. 51, 702 (Aug. 2, 2016). <https://fec.gov/resources/cms-content/documents/notice2016-06.pdf>.

Please note that you have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to the subject matter of the referral until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

¹ Notification of this referral is being provided to you pursuant to the Commission’s Agency Procedure for Notice to Respondents in Non-Complaint Generated Matters, as published in the Federal Register on August 4, 2009 (74 Fed. Reg. 38,617).

Any correspondence sent to the Commission must be addressed to **one** of the following (note, if submitting via email, this Office will provide an electronic receipt by email):

Mail
Federal Election Commission
Office of Complaints Examination
and Legal Administration
Attn: Christal Dennis, Paralegal
1050 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20463

OR

Email
CELA@fec.gov

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If you have any questions, please contact Christal Dennis at (202) 694-1519 or toll free at (800) 424-9530. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's preliminary procedures for processing submissions such as this.

Sincerely,

Wanda D. Brown

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² 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).