

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 7772 and Pre-MUR 668
 Foundation for Progress, Inc.; Fundación)
 Pro Igualdad, Inc.; Salvemos a Puerto)
 Rico and Joseph Fuentes-Fernandez in)
 his official capacity as Treasurer; Joseph)
 Fuentes-Fernandez in his personal)
 capacity; Alejandro Brito-Zubizarreta;)
 Andrew Keys; AP Engineering, Inc.;)
 Augustos McCloskey; BAE FE, LLC;)
 Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC; Essential)
 Insurance Services, Inc.; Jaap, LLC; LAS)
 Enterprises; Little Pictures Corp.;)
 Michael McCloskey; National Strategies)
 Group, LLC; NGX Military Store;)
 Northshore Management Corp.; Richard)
 Machado-Gonzales)

CERTIFICATION

I, Vicktoria J. Allen, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on January 23, 2024, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by vote of 3-2 to:
 - a. Open a Matter Under Review with respect to Pre-MUR 668 and merge it into MUR 7772.
 - b. Dismiss as an exercise of prosecutorial discretion the allegations that Salvemos a Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes-Fernandez in his personal capacity and in his official capacity as Treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by knowingly accepting a contribution in the name of another and violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a)(4) by filing inaccurate disclosure reports and issue admonishment letters to Salvemos a Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes-Fernandes.

- c. Dismiss as an exercise of prosecutorial discretion the allegations that Alejandro Brito-Zubizarreta, Andrew Keys, AP Engineering, Inc., Augustos McCloskey, BAE FE, LLC, Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC, Essential Insurance Services, Inc., Jaap, LLC, LAS Enterprises, Little Pictures Corp., Michael McCloskey, National Strategies Group, LLC, NGX Military Store, Northshore Management Corp., and Richard Machado-Gonzalez violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by making a contribution in the name of another.
- d. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated December 19, 2023, as regards those respondents.
- e. Approve the appropriate letters as regards those respondents.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Broussard and Weintraub dissented. Commissioner Lindenbaum was recused and did not vote.

2. Failed by a vote of 0-3 to:
 - a. Find reason to believe that Fundación Pro Igualdad, Inc. and Foundation For Progress, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by knowingly and willfully permitting their names to be used to effect contributions in the name of another.
 - b. Enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with Fundación Pro Igualdad, Inc. and Foundation for Progress, Inc.
 - c. Approve the attached conciliation agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated December 19, 2023.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor dissented. Commissioners Broussard and Weintraub abstained. Commissioner Lindenbaum was recused and did not vote.

3. Failed by a vote of 3-2 to:
 - a. Open a Matter Under Review with respect to Pre-MUR 668 and merge it into MUR 7772.
 - b. Dismiss the allegation that Fundación Pro Igualdad, Inc. and Foundation For Progress, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by

knowingly and willfully permitting their names to be used to effect contributions in the name of another.

- c. Issue a letter of admonishment to those entities.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Broussard and Weintraub dissented. Commissioner Lindenbaum was recused and did not vote.

4. Failed by a vote of 2-3 to:

- a. Open a Matter Under Review with respect to Pre-MUR 668 and merge it into MUR 7772.
- b. Dismiss as an exercise of prosecutorial discretion the allegations that Salvemos a Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes-Fernandez in his personal capacity and in his official capacity as Treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by knowingly accepting a contribution in the name of another and violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a)(4) by filing inaccurate disclosure reports and issue admonishment letters to Salvemos a Puerto Rico and Joseph Fuentes-Fernandes.
- c. Dismiss as an exercise of prosecutorial discretion the allegations that Alejandro Brito-Zubizarreta, Andrew Keys, AP Engineering, Inc., Augustos McCloskey, BAE FE, LLC, Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC, Essential Insurance Services, Inc., Jaap, LLC, LAS Enterprises, Little Pictures Corp., Michael McCloskey, National Strategies Group, LLC, NGX Military Store, Northshore Management Corp., and Richard Machado-Gonzalez violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by making a contribution in the name of another.
- d. Find reason to believe that Fundación Pro Igualdad, Inc. and Foundation For Progress, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by knowingly and willfully permitting their names to be used to effect contributions in the name of another.
- e. Enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with Fundación Pro Igualdad, Inc. and Foundation for Progress, Inc.
- f. Approve the attached conciliation agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated December 19, 2023.

- j. Approve the attached Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated December 19, 2023.
- k. Approve the appropriate letters.
- l. Close the file as to Salvemos a Puerto Rico, Joseph Fuentes-Fernandez, Alejandro Brito-Zubizarreta, Andrew Keys, AP Engineering, Inc., Augustos McCloskey, BAE FE, LLC, Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC, Essential Insurance Services, Inc., Jaap, LLC, LAS Enterprises, Little Pictures Corp., Michael McCloskey, National Strategies Group, LLC, NGX Military Store, Northshore Management Corp., and Richard Machado-Gonzalez.

Commissioners Broussard and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor dissented. Commissioner Lindenbaum was recused and did not vote.

5. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to: MUR 8204
 - a. Open a Matter Under Review with respect to Pre-MUR 668 and merge it into MUR 7772.
 - b. Close the file.
 - c. Send the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Lindenbaum was recused and did not vote.

Attest:



Vicktoria J Allen

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Deputy Secretary of the Commission