



**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20463

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Commission

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**SUBJECT:** MUR 7796 (Buzz Patterson for Congress, *et al.*)  
Recommendation to Accept Signed Conciliation Agreements

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On December 2, 2021, the Commission found reason to believe that Buzz Patterson for Congress and Louis Baglietto in his official capacity as treasurer (the “Committee”) violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(a), (b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a), (b) by failing to file required reports of receipts and disbursements.<sup>1</sup> The Commission authorized compulsory process and approved an investigation.<sup>2</sup> During the investigation, Baglietto was named and notified as a respondent in his personal capacity.<sup>3</sup> After the investigation was completed, on January 26, 2023, the Commission found reason to believe that Baglietto in his personal capacity violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30102(c), (d) and 30104(a), (b) and 11 C.F.R. §§ 102.9 and 104.3(a), (b) by failing to keep complete records and file reports with the Commission.<sup>4</sup> The Commission authorized the Office of General Counsel (“OGC”) to engage in pre-probable cause conciliation and approved separate

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<sup>1</sup> Certification (“Cert.”) ¶ 1 (Dec. 2, 2021).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* ¶ 5.

<sup>3</sup> Memorandum to the Commission, Add’l Notif. (July 27, 2022).

<sup>4</sup> Cert. ¶ 1 (Jan. 26, 2023).

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1 conciliation agreements with the Committee and Baglietto.<sup>5</sup> Attached are the two negotiated  
2 conciliation agreements. We recommend that the Commission accept both signed agreements  
3 and close the file in this matter.  
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20 **RECOMMENDATIONS:**  
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- 22 1. Accept the attached conciliation agreement with Louis Baglietto;
- 23 2. Accept the attached conciliation agreement with Buzz Patterson for Congress and  
24 Louis Baglietto in his official capacity as treasurer;
- 25 3. Approve the appropriate letters; and
- 26 4. Close the file.  
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<sup>5</sup> *Id.* ¶ 3-4.