

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) AUDIT REFERRAL 19-05R
 Virgin Islands Republican Party and John)
 Canegata in his official capacity as)
 treasurer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Vicktoria J. Allen, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on March 09, 2021, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 3-3 to:
 - a. Open a MUR.
 - b. Find reason to believe that the Virgin Islands Republican Party and John Canegata in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(g)(1) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.4(c) by failing to timely report independent expenditures aggregating \$1,000 or more made after the 20th day, but more than 24 hours before, an election.
 - c. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated March 25, 2020.
 - d. Approve the proposed Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated March 25, 2020, subject to the discussion at the table about pursuing a global settlement.
 - e. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Broussard, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor dissented.

2. Decided by a vote of 6-0 to:

- a. Open a MUR. **MUR 7898**
- b. Find reason to believe that the Virgin Islands Republican Party and John Canegata in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(g)(1) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.4(c) by failing to timely report independent expenditures aggregating \$1,000 or more made after the 20th day, but more than 24 hours before, an election.
- c. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated March 25, 2020.
- d. Approve the proposed Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated March 25, 2020,
- e. Direct the Office of General Counsel to give the committee the opportunity to enter into a broader global resolution of this matter, as well as in MURs 7546, 7547, and 7548.
- f. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Broussard, Cooksey, Dickerson, Trainor, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.



Attest:

Vicktoria Allen Digitally signed by Vicktoria Allen
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Vicktoria J. Allen
Acting Deputy Secretary of the
Commission