

**BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**  
**ENFORCEMENT PRIORITY SYSTEM**  
**DISMISSAL REPORT**

**MUR:** 7942

**Respondents:** Rudy Salas for Congress  
and Josie Olsen in her official  
capacity as treasurer  
Rudy Salas for Assembly  
Rudy Salas

**Complaint Receipt Date:** November 5, 2021

**Response Date:** December 27, 2021

**Alleged Statutory**

52 U.S.C. §§ 30120; 30125(e)

**Regulatory Violations:**

11 C.F.R. §§ 110.3(d); 110.11

The Complaint alleges that Rudy Salas for Congress and Ana Huerta in her official capacity as treasurer (the “Committee”), the authorized committee of Rudy Salas, used state campaign resources for his federal campaign.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, the Complaint suggests that the Committee may have used signs purchased by Salas’s state candidate committee, Rudy Salas for Assembly, at an event announcing his 2022 federal candidacy.<sup>2</sup> The Response acknowledges that the signs at the federal event were originally created for Salas’s state campaign, and had been reconfigured by volunteers who were unaware of the law, by covering the word “Assembly” and handwriting the word “Congress” in its place.<sup>3</sup> The Response also states that there were approximately twelve signs at the press conference, with an estimated value of less than \$100.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Compl. at 1 (Nov. 5, 2021). Salas was a 2022 candidate in California’s 21st congressional district.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 2. The Complaint cites state disclosure reports showing a \$160 expenditure for political signs. *Id.* at 5. The Complaint includes photographs of Salas at an earlier state campaign event, in front of signs that read “Rudy Salas for Assembly,” and photos of Salas at his October 18, 2021, federal campaign announcement in front of identical signs with white tape covering the area where the word “Assembly” was printed on the state campaign signs, overwritten in black marker with the word “Congress.” *Id.* at 8. The Complaint also suggests that the campaign signs did not contain proper disclaimers. *Id.* at 2, 6.

<sup>3</sup> Response of Rudy Salas, Rudy Salas for Congress, Ana Huerta in her official capacity as treasurer, and Rudy Salas for Assembly (“Response”) at 1 (Sept. 24, 2021).

<sup>4</sup> *Id.* The Response also states that Salas is now aware of the prohibition of using state committee resources for federal campaign activity, and will ensure that similar violations do not occur in the future. *Id.* at 3.

