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To whom it may concern:

The following is a complaint of potential violation(s) of FEC regulations committed by Kimberly N. Klacik, aka KIM KLACIK FOR CONGRESS (C00726117).

As made known by political personality Candace Owens, at least two questionable entities have received substantial disbursements from Klacik's campaign. I am writing to ensure you are aware of and investigating this information.

Pearl Events, LLC is one of the entities. According to the Maryland Business Search site at https://egov.maryland.gov/BusinessExpress/EntitySearch/Business, this entity was forfeited in 2019 prior to the Klacik campaign and not revived until after the campaign on June 25, 2021. Owens made her allegations about Pearl Events and the next entity on June 22, 2021, via a 44-minute video on her Instagram site.

The second entity, Fox & Lion Communications, LLC, did not register with the state until April 29, 2020 and that was after Klacik was well into running for a congressional seat in Maryland.

Disbursements to Fox & Lion Communications do not make sense. They total a high dollar amount of at least \$225,000 for the fairly low-level activity of "canvassing." There are other disbursements for canvassing/canvassing-like activities and even marketing research in Klacik's filings, but they are all also only a fraction of the Fox amount. The principal at Fox is Andy Pierre. A few years ago in Maryland, he made a minor political bid. But more notably, according to the online Maryland Judiciary Case Search, Andy Evens/Evans Pierre is a person with a lot of run-ins with the law, some civil, some criminal, and a number financially-related. This information in and of itself raises some questions and makes increased scrutiny on these disbursements seem the prudent thing to do.

The principal at Pearl Events is Brian McComas. Also in the Maryland judiciary search records, he is listed as a principal for Ryleigh's Oyster and according to Klacik's filings, Ryleigh's Oyster has been the recipient of a number of disbursements from the campaign. The major disbursement went to Pearl Events for just over \$119,000. This amount was disbursed for a "meet and greet." Thinking of potential per plate/per person costs, this amount seems well over the top. For example, 100 people x \$100 = \$10,000 and is less than one-tenth the disbursement amount. Klacik was not known to have held any particularly large and/or fancy event(s) that would justify this extraordinary disbursement. This situation also necessitates further investigation.

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Ctober 27, 2021 The above complaint was signed and sworn to before me on a

under penalty of perjury. Notary seal:

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