



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matters of)
)
Donald J. Trump, *et al.*) MURs 7968 and 7969
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**STATEMENT OF REASONS OF
COMMISSIONER ELLEN L. WEINTRAUB**

58: Number of matters that have come before the Federal Election Commission containing allegations involving former President Trump, his committees, or his family members.

28: Number of those matters where the Commission's nonpartisan professional staff in the Office of General Counsel ("OGC") has recommended reason to believe that a violation occurred.¹

0: Number of times a Republican Commissioner has voted to approve an OGC recommendation against Mr. Trump.

The outcomes are no longer surprising. My colleagues purport to be treating the former President and the current President alike,² but the data is clear: At the FEC, Mr. Trump is in a category by himself.

November 9, 2023

Date

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¹ See First General Counsel's Reports in Matters Under Review 7094, 7096, 7098, 7135, 7207, 7220, 7265, 7266, 7268, 7313, 7319, 7324, 7332, 7339, 7340, 7350, 7351, 7364, 7366, 7425, 7609, 7623, 7645, 7663, 7705, 7784, 7968, and 7969.

² See Statement of Reasons of Vice Chairman Cooksey and Commissioners Dickerson and Trainor, MURs 7968 and 7969 (Donald J. Trump, *et al.*), in which my colleagues reject OGC's analysis, which was well supported by Commission regulations and precedents, and substitute a wholly new analysis to justify dismissing the allegations against Mr. Trump. The facts in the Trump and Biden matters of course differed. For my analysis of the allegations against President Biden in MURs 7931 and 8059, see Statement of Reasons of Chair Lindenbaum and Commissioners Broussard and Weintraub, MURs 7931 and 8050 (Joseph R. Biden Jr., *et al.*).