FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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VIA EMAIL
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Vicki J. Hoffmann, Treasurer
Protect Ohio Values PAC (POV PAC)
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RE: MUR 7998

Dear Ms. Hoffmann:

The Federal Election Commission (FEC) received a complaint that indicates Protect Ohio Values PAC (POV PAC) and you in your official capacity as treasurer may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter MUR 7998. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

The Act affords you the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against Protect Ohio Values PAC (POV PAC) and you in your official capacity as treasurer in this matter. If you wish to file a response, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission's consideration of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath by persons with relevant knowledge. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel's Office, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(4)(B) and § 30109(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public. Please be advised that, although the Commission cannot disclose information regarding an investigation to the public, it may share information on a confidential basis with other law enforcement agencies.[1]

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address, and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission. Please note that you have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to the subject matter of the complaint until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

[1] The Commission has the statutory authority to refer knowing and willful violations of the Act to the Department of Justice for potential criminal prosecution, 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(5)(C), and to report information regarding violations of law not within its jurisdiction to appropriate law enforcement authorities. *Id.* § 30107(a)(9).

Any correspondence sent to the Commission, such as a response, must be addressed to **one** of the following (note, if submitting via email this Office will provide an electronic receipt by email):

Mail	OR	**Email**
Federal Election Commission Office of Complaints Examination & Legal Administration Attn: Christal Dennis, Paralegal 1050 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20463		cela@fec.gov

As indicated in the FEC's Notice found at https://www.fec.gov/legal-resources/enforcement/complaints-process/how-to-file-complaint-with-fec/, the FEC has largely resumed normal mail operations, but please be advised that processing paper correspondence may be delayed. Accordingly, we strongly encourage you to file responses and additional correspondence via email.

If you have any questions, please contact Christal Dennis at (202) 694-1519. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling complaints.

Sincerely,

Roy Q. Luckett

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Acting Assistant General Counsel
Complaints Examination &
Legal Administration