

## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
 ) RAD REFERRAL 21L-67  
 Republican Party of Minnesota — )  
 Federal and Lee Prinkkila 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 August 30, 2022, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 3-3 to:

Refer the matter to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Office.

Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Broussard, Lindenbaum, and Weintraub dissented.

2. Decided by a vote of 4-2 to:

- a. Open a Matter Under Review. **MUR 8061**
- b. Find reason to believe that the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b)(2) and (4) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a) and (b) by failing to timely and accurately report receipts and disbursements.
- c. Find reason to believe that the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(f) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.9 by accepting excessive contributions.

- d. Enter into conciliation with the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
- e. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 22, 2022.
- f. Approve the Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 22, 2022.
- g. Approve the appropriate letter.

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

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

Reconsider motion #2.

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

4. Failed by a vote of 3-3 to:

- a. Open a Matter Under Review. MUR 8061
- b. Find reason to believe that the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b)(2) and (4) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a) and (b) by failing to timely and accurately report receipts and disbursements.
- c. Find reason to believe that the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(f) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.9 by accepting excessive contributions.
- d. Enter into conciliation with the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
- e. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 22, 2022.

- f. Approve the Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 22, 2022.
- g. Approve the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Broussard, Lindenbaum, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion. Commissioners Cooksey, Dickerson, and Trainor dissented.

- 5. Decided by a vote of 6-0 to:
  - a. Open a Matter Under Review.
  - b. Find reason to believe that the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b)(2) and (4) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a) and (b) by failing to timely and accurately report receipts and disbursements.
  - c. Find reason to believe that the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(f) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.9 by accepting excessive contributions.
  - d. Enter into conciliation with the Republican Party of Minnesota — Federal and Lee Prinkkila in his official capacity as treasurer prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
  - e. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 22, 2022.
  - f. Approve the Conciliation Agreement, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated June 22, 2022, subject to a recalculation of the opening settlement offer to 100% of the administrative fines program.
  - g. Approve the appropriate letter.

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

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Attest:

**Vicktoria J  
Allen**

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Vicktoria J. Allen  
Acting Deputy Secretary of the  
Commission