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Subject: Re: MUR 8172 Federal Election Commission Complaint Notification (Friends of Jevin D. Hodge)

Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 7:20:17 PM

Attachments: MUR 8172 - Friends of Jevin D. Hodge Response.pdf

Kathryn,

I hope this email finds you well. The attached is my response to MUR 8172 as treasurer of Friends of Jevin D. Hodge, committee C00778464.

As always, I'm available if you have any questions.

Best,

Dacey Montoya 602-228-8902

she/her



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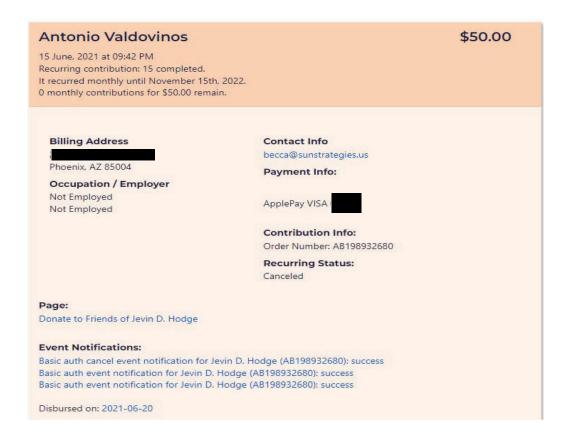
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Federal Election Commission Office of Complaints Examination & Legal Administration Attn: Kathryn Ross, Paralegal 1050 First Street NE Washington, DC 20463

RE: MUR 8172

To Whom It May Concern:

On June 15, 2021, Friends of Jevin D. Hodge, committee C00778464, received a recurring \$50 contribution via ActBlue that named Antonio Valdovinos as the donor. Contribution information received from ActBlue can be found below.



On October 26, 2023, I received notification of complaint MUR 8172. Before receiving the complaint, I was not aware of any issue with the contributions listed in the complaint, and I don't believe anyone affiliated with the Friends of Jevin D. Hodge committee was aware of any issue with the contributions.

Upon receiving notice of MUR 8172, we reached out to Antonio Valdovinos directly via email, and asked if the contributions in question were made by him, and/or with his own funds. We did not mention MUR 8172. Mr. Valdovinos replied with the following:

"The contributions were officially made by Rebecca Dominguez at the time she was living at my address. The visa number is from Rebeca Domingues personal funds. I never donated to Jevin's 2022 congressional efforts."

Rebecca Dominguez's email was listed as the contact for the ActBlue contributions outlined in the compliant, becca@sunstrategies.us. Her current email is rebecca@dominguezconsulting.us, and was cc'd on Mr. Valdovinos' response email.

Friends of Jevin D. Hodge, committee C00778464, was terminated on 4/29/2023. Therefore, amending past disclosures may not be an option. Please let me know if there's another action you'd like us to pursue.

In the case of contributions made through ActBlue, we must assume that the donor information shared with ActBlue is correct, and that the contribution rules listed below have been followed by the donor.

Donors who give through ActBlue agree to the following terms, which are included on all ActBlue contribution forms.

Contribution rules

- I am a U.S. citizen or lawfully admitted permanent resident (i.e., green card holder).
- This contribution is made from my own funds, and funds are not being provided to me by another person or entity for the purpose of making this contribution.
- 3. I am at least eighteen years old.
- 4. I am not a federal contractor.
- 5. I am making this contribution with my own personal credit card and not with a corporate or business credit card or a card issued to another person.

By proceeding with this transaction, you agree to ActBlue's terms & conditions.

Please reach out if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Dacey Montoya

Treasurer, Friends of Jevin D. Hodge

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