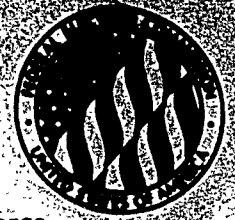


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FEC RELEASES THREE INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on three matters it has had under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including the FEC's legal analysis of the MUR. Please see footnote at the end of this release. Summary files of the closed cases are available in the Public Records Office. They are as follows:

MUR NO.

3096

RESPONDENTS: (a) Democratic Party of Oregon, Annabelle Jaramillo, treasurer; and Judy Carnahan, chairman (OR);
(b) David Dix, Majority Leader, Oregon House Democratic Caucus (OR);
(c) Dukakis/Bentsen Committee, Inc., Edward Pliner, treasurer (MA);
(d) Project 500 (DC)
COMPLAINANT: Rick Campbell (OR)
SUBJECT: Improper absentee ballot mailing; impermissible transfer of funds
DISPOSITION: (a)-(d) No reason to believe*

3190

RESPONDENTS: Mark Blankenship for U.S. Congress, Frederick J. Weil, treasurer (CA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file 48-Hour disclosure reports
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$1,700 civil penalty*

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RESPONDENTS: Friends of Larry Pressler, Paul Arneson, treasurer (SD)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file 48-hour disclosure reports
DISPOSITION: Reason to believe but rejected General Counsel's recommendation and took no further action*

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Following a complaint, the FEC may make a "reason to believe" finding which may trigger an investigation. Subsequently, the FEC may find "probable cause to believe" violation(s) occurred. An affirmative vote of at least four Commissioners is required for any action. At this stage the conciliation process could begin. If conciliation fails the FEC may institute a civil action for relief in federal court. The Commission may close a case at any point. For a complete explanation of the enforcement process - contact the FEC Press Office.
