



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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Subject: In the Matter of AB&I Foundry, a Division of McWane, Inc.
Fair Political Practices Commission Case No. 15/74

Date: November 1, 2016

This matter is submitted for informational purposes only. No action is required by the Commission.

On July 21, 2016, the Commission approved a stipulation *In the Matter of AB&I Foundry, a Division of McWane, Inc.* (FPPC Case No. 15/74)—imposing a penalty in the amount of \$100,000 for 20 counts of campaign money laundering in violation of Government Code section 84301.

The recipients of these funds were campaign committees for Oakland mayoral and city council candidates. The stipulation encompassed 37 contributions made in the names of 17 intermediaries to the following six committees (not counting contributions that AB&I made in its own name):

Recipient	Total
De La Fuente for City Council 2012	\$6,300
Joe Tuman for Mayor 2014	\$6,300
Desley Brooks [for City Council 2014]	\$2,100

Re-Elect Mayor Quan 2014	\$2,100
Parker for Oakland Mayor 2014	\$2,500
Kaplan for Oakland Mayor 2014	\$4,600
Total: \$23,900	

Desley Brooks won her election. The other candidates were unsuccessful and their committees were terminated.

Government Code section 85701 provides: “Any candidate or committee that receives a contribution in violation of Section 84301 shall pay to the General Fund of the state the amount of the contribution.”

Following the Commission’s approval of the foregoing stipulation, the Enforcement Division contacted Oakland City Councilmember Desley Brooks regarding her committee’s duty to pay \$2,100 (the amount of the laundered campaign contributions that were received by her committee) pursuant to Government Code section 85701. On October 28, 2016, the Enforcement Division received her full payment. As required by law, the funds will be turned over to the General Fund of the State of California in connection with the complete resolution of this matter.

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