



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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January 20, 2015

Mr. Michael Boudreaux
Friends of Mike Boudreaux for
Tulare County Sheriff



Mr. Wayne Bixler
Friends of Mike Boudreaux for
Tulare County Sheriff



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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 14/350; Friends of Mike Boudreaux for Tulare County Sheriff; Michael Boudreaux, Wayne Bixler, Treasurer, Respondents

Dear Messrs. Boudreaux and Bixler:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),¹ found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a sworn complaint that alleged you failed to report address, occupation and employer information for specific contributors to your campaign.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that in several instances you failed to report the address for a contributor, or failed to include the occupation and employer information for a contributor.

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

The Act requires that among other things, candidates must report specific information relative to each contributor of \$100 or more. Specifically, the campaign statement must disclose the name of the contributor, the contributor's street address, occupation, name of his or her employer or if self-employed, the name of the business, the date and amount of each contribution and the cumulative amount of total contributions from that source. (Section 84211(f).)

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to include this information when you initially filed your campaign statements. However, since you immediately amended your campaign statements when contacted by Commission staff, we are closing our file on this matter.

This letter serves as a written warning. The information in this matter will be retained and may be considered should an enforcement action become necessary based on newly discovered information or future conduct. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act in the future will result in monetary penalties of up to \$5,000 for each violation.

A warning letter is an FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. However, the warning letter resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause hearing or hearing before an Administrative Law Judge or the Fair Political Practices Commission. If you wish to avail yourself of these proceedings by requesting that your case proceed with prosecution rather than a warning, please notify us within ten (10) days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of this case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Gary S. Winuk.

Gary S. Winuk, Chief
Enforcement Division

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