



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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January 21, 2015

Mr. Peter Chau
Peter Chau for School Board 2014

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Ms. Christine Gin
Peter Chau for School Board 2014

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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 14/1207; Peter Chau for School Board 2014; Peter Chau, Christine Gin, Respondent(s)

Dear Mr. Chau and Ms. Gin:

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 filed against you and your committee that alleged you failed to disclose occupation and employer information for some of your contributors.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you and your committee failed to disclosure occupation and employer information for the campaign statement filed for the period January 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014.

The Act requires that candidates and their committees file semi-annual and pre-election campaign statements at periodic intervals and that on those campaign statements, for each person

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.

who made a cumulative contribution of \$100 or more, the statement must report that person's full name, street address, occupation, name of employer, and the date and amount of each contribution received during the period covered by the campaign statement. (Section 84200/84200.7; 84211(f).)

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to include occupation and employer information for several of your contributors. However, since you have now filed an amendment disclosing that information, 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 solid black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Gary S. Winuk.

Gary S. Winuk, Chief
Enforcement Division

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cc: Anton Jungherr