



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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Ms. Mary Lou Blount

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Warning Letter: Case No. 13/0019; Mary Lou Blount

Dear Ms. Blount:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (Act) contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. This letter is in response to a non-filer enforcement referral from Marin County. The FPPC has completed its investigation and found that you, as a former member of the Marin County Commission on Aging, failed to file your 2011 Annual, 2012 Annual, and Leaving Office Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700).

Section 87300 of the Act requires every state and local agency to develop a Conflict of Interest Code requiring persons who are involved in the making of decisions which may foreseeably have a material financial effect on any financial interest belonging to that person to disclose reportable interests. Each newly designated employee shall file a statement within 30 days of assuming office. Throughout the duration of holding that office, each employee shall file an annual statement at the time specified in the Code. Lastly, every employee who leaves office shall file a final statement within 30 days of separation.

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to file the abovementioned statements. However, since you do not have an enforcement history, you resigned from office, and the Marin County Council has since amended the Code to exclude your former position, we are closing your case with this warning letter.

A warning letter is a FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution; however, this resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause or administrative hearing. 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 days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of your case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website.

All information from this case will be retained and may be considered should a future enforcement action become necessary. Please note that, although the FPPC is not seeking a penalty in the current matter, you are still required to file all outstanding statements and will be responsible for any late filing fees assessed by your filing officer pursuant to Section 91013. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, contact Tracey Frazier at (916) 327-2019.

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