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Angel Jimenez
Committee to Elect Angel Jimenez for Oceanside USD
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Michael Hadland
Committee to Elect Angel Jimenez for Oceanside USD
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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 15/285; Committee to Elect Angel Jimenez, Angel Jimenez, and Michael Hadland

Dear Mr. Jimenez and Mr. Hadland:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act").[1] This letter is in response to a referral from the County of San Diego Registrar of Voters alleging that you failed to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the Committee to Elect Angel Jimenez. The Enforcement Division has completed its investigation and found that the Committee did not timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the October 19, 2014 through December 31, 2014 reporting period.

The Act requires committees to file semi-annual campaign statements each year no later than February 2nd for period ending December 31.[2] The obligation to file semi-annual statements continues until the candidate or treasurer terminates the committee. Controlling candidates and committee treasurers are jointly and severally liable for violations by the committee.[3]

You violated the Act because the Committee failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the period ending December 31, 2014. But the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case with this warning letter rather than a fine because the Committee had no activity during the period ending December 31, 2014, and you filed the missing statement shortly

[1] The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code.
[2] Section 84200.
[3] Sections 83116.5 and 91006.

after contact. Also, none of the respondents have a prior history of violating the Act and you did not win the election.

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 Enforcement Division 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 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 Enforcement Division 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 Commission's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

Please feel free to contact Emily Reynolds at [redacted] with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Galena West
Enforcement Division Chief

cc: Registrar of Voters, County of San Diego