



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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September 6, 2013

Candy Gage
Board Member, Bluffs Community Service District

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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 13/079¹ Laura Rojas

Dear Ms. Gage:

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 Non-Filer Enforcement Referral from your filing officer, the Deputy Clerk for the County of Fresno, for your failure to file your 2012 Annual Statement (Form 700) in relation to your position as a Board Member of the Bluffs Community Service District.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you violated the Act's disclosure provisions when, as a Board Member of the Bluffs Community Service District, you failed to properly file your 2012 Annual Statement. Your actions violated the Act.

However, since you do not have a significant history of violating the Act and corrective action was taken after Enforcement contact, we are closing your case with this warning letter. 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.

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.

Although the Enforcement Division is not seeking a penalty in the current matter, you are still required to immediately file all outstanding statements and will be responsible for any late filing fees assessed by your filing officer. (Gov. Code § 91013.)

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.

Any stipulation you may have received in regards to your Assuming Office Statement from the FPPC has been rescinded. In the future, you are advised to retain a date stamped copy of your Annual Statements.

Please feel free to contact Tracey Frazier at (916) 327-2019 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or visit our website at www.fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Gary S. Winuk

Chief, Enforcement Division

cc: County of Fresno Clerk to the Board

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