



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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October 3, 2012

Democratic Club of Claremont
c/o Ms. Marguerite Royse, Treasurer

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Ms. Debi Evans

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**Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 10/628; Democratic Club of Claremont and Debi Evans,
Treasurer**

Dear Ms. Royse and Ms. Evans:

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 referral from your filing officer that alleged the Democratic Club of Claremont ("DCC") failed to file required semiannual statements.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that DCC and its treasurer, Debi Evans, failed to timely file semiannual statements for the reporting periods ending December 31, 2009, June 30, 2010, and December 31, 2010.

The Act requires committees to file semiannual statements each year no later than July 31 for the period ending June 30, and no later than January 31 for the period ending December 31.

DCC and Ms. Evans' actions violated the Act because they failed to file the three semiannual statements by their respective deadlines. However, since the DCC brought its filings up to date and cooperated with our investigation, the DCC and Ms. Evans do not have a history of violating the Act, and the DCC's political activity was relatively low during the periods in question, we have decided to close this case with a warning letter.

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.

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,

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Commission Counsel
Enforcement Division