FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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October 2, 2012

Ms. Gertrude Magee
Committee to Elect Gertrude
"Trudy" Magee for State Assembly

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Ms. Beatrice Fakhrian
Committee to Elect Gertrude
"Trudy" Magee for State Assembly

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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 12/656; Committee to Elect Gertrude "Trudy" Magee for State Assembly; Gertrude Magee; and Beatrice Fakhrian, Respondents

Dear Ms. Magee and Ms. Fakhrian:

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 the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder that alleged you have failed to file a campaign statement.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you failed to file your semi-annual campaign statement for the period May 20, 2012 through June 30, 2012 by the July 31, 2012, deadline with either the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder, or with the Office of the Secretary of State.

The Act requires that candidates and their committees file campaign statements at periodic intervals. Specifically, the Act provides that candidates and their committees shall file

[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.

semi-annual statements on July 31 and January 31 of each year. (Gov. Code § 84200.) You must continue to file campaign statements until such time as you terminate your committee by filing a campaign disclosure statement as a termination statement and by filing a Form 410, the Statement of Organization, as a termination statement.

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the period May 20, 2012 through June 30, 2012, due July 31, 2012. Since it appears your committee was primarily self-funded, and since you were defeated in the election, we are closing our file on this matter.

You must immediately file your delinquent campaign statement with the Office of the Secretary of State and with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder. You may want to consider terminating your campaign committee at this time as well.

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 Jeanette Turvill at (916) 322-8194 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Gary S. Winuk, Chief
Enforcement Division

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cc: √ Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder
√ Office of the Secretary of State