FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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November 17, 2014

Luis A. Vaquera
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Warning Letter Re: FPPC Case No. 14/1132; In the Matter of Luis A. Vaquera

Dear Mr. Vaquera:

The Fair Political Practices Commission ("FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act ("Act"),[1] found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is the resolution to a letter previously sent to you. The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this matter. Specifically, the FPPC found that you violated the Act's campaign disclosure provisions with regard to the campaign filings required once you became a candidate for Mayor of the City of Fontana under the Act.

The Act provides that during a six-month period when an election is held, candidates and their controlled committees must file pre-election campaign statements in addition to the semi-annual statement. (Sections 84200, 84200.5, 85200.7, and 84200.8.) Candidates who do not have a committee, and who do not anticipate raising or spending $1,000 or more during the entire calendar year, may file one short form campaign statement (Form 470) in connection with an election and incur no additional filing requirements as long as receipts and expenditures remain under $1,000. (Section 84206.) Your actions violated the Act because you failed to file the Form 470 Short Form campaign statement on the deadline for the first pre-election filing.

However, because you have no prior cases with our Enforcement Division and because you filed quickly after receiving our letter, 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

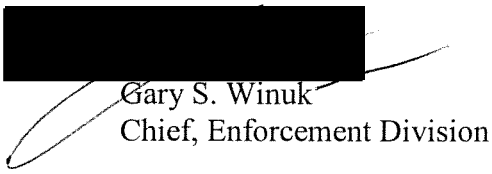
[1] The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

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. Although the FPPC is not seeking a penalty in the current matter, you are still responsible for any late filing fees assessed by your filing officer. (Section 91013.) The FPPC publishes forms and manuals to facilitate compliance with the provisions of the Act. If you need forms or a manual, or guidance regarding your obligations, please call the FPPC's Technical Assistance Division at 1-866-275-3772 or visit our website at www.fppc.ca.gov.

Please feel free to contact Adrianne Korchmaros at (916) 322-8241 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



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