



## FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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December 18, 2014

Madeline Kronenberg for School Board 2014

Madeline Kronenber, Candidate

Hale Kronenberg, Treasurer

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**Re: Warning Letter**

**FPPC No. 14/1281: Madeline Kronenberg for School Board 2014; Madeline Kronenber; and Hale Kronenberg, Treasurer**

Dear Ms. and Mr. Kronenberg:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),<sup>1</sup> found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a sworn complaint filed against you that alleged you and your committee failed to timely file a Form 497-Contribution Report in connection with your school board campaign. We are closing this matter with a warning letter.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Section 84203 of the Act requires candidates and committees to file a Form 497-Contribution Report within 24 hours of receipt of a contribution aggregating \$1,000 or more from a single source during the 90 days prior to an election. Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This exception does not apply when the deadline for the Form 497 is due the weekend before the election.

You reported on the Form 497 two contributions over \$1,000 that was received on October 23, 2014. October 23, 2014 was a Thursday, and therefore you were required to file a Form 497 disclosing these two contributions by Friday, October 24, 2014. Your actions violated the Act because you failed to timely disclose the two contributions. However, because the Form 497 was filed the following Monday, and the fact that you do not have an enforcement history; we are closing this matter with a warning.

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.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

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.

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. Please also visit our website at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov).

Please feel free to contact Teri Rindahl at (916) 327-2018 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Gary S. Winuk.

Gary S. Winuk, Chief  
Enforcement Division

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cc: Anton Jungherr