FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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November 22, 2010

Mr. Terrence Later
Redacted

Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 10/486, Citizens for Terrence Later, Terrence Later, Treasurer, Respondent(s)

Dear Mr. Later:

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 complaint filed against you that alleged you failed to file and correctly complete your semi-annual campaign statements.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you failed to file your Statement of Organization (Form 410) with the Office of the Secretary of State when you ran for city council in 2006; failed to file semi-annual campaign statements after your unsuccessful election and failed to amend your statements as directed by the Santa Monica City Clerk.

The Act requires that committees file with the Secretary of State a Statement of organization within ten days after it qualifies as a committee. (Section 84101.) Once a committee has qualified, it must file semi-annual campaign statements each year no later than July 31 for the period ending June 30 and January 31 for the period ending December 31 until such time as the committee terminates its campaign filing obligation by filing a terminating statement of organization. (Sections 84200; 84214.)

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to file your statement of organization with the Office of the Secretary of State and failed to file your semi-annual campaign statements

[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 18109 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.

until advised to do so by Commission staff. Since you were not successful at that election and had minimal activity to report since that time, we are closing this matter.

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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Gary S. Winuk, Chief
Enforcement Division

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