



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95811

July 31, 2018

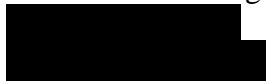
Magdalena Carrasco

o/b/o Friends of Magdalena G. Carrasco for East Side Union High School Board of Trustees
2012



Huascar Castro

o/b/o Re-Elect Magdalena Carrasco for City Council D5 2018



Re: WARNING LETTER

FPPC Case No. 17/1432; Friends of Magdalena G. Carrasco for East Side Union High School Board of Trustees 2012 (ID# 1353110) and Re-Elect Magdalena Carrasco for City Council D5 2018 (ID# 1400557)

Dear Ms. Carrasco and Mr. Castro:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act").¹ This letter is in response to a referral from the Secretary of State's Office (the "SOS") and a sworn complaint that alleged the committee Friends of Magdalena G. Carrasco for East Side Union High School Board of Trustees 2012 (the "School Board Committee") failed to timely pay \$50 annual fees and failed to pay \$150 penalties to the SOS. This letter is also in response to a sworn complaint that alleged the committee Re-Elect Magdalena Carrasco for City Council D5 2018 (the "City Council Committee") failed to timely amend its statement of organization to report a date of qualification as a recipient committee.

The Act requires every recipient committee in California to pay a \$50 annual fee to the SOS. Committees that fail to pay the fee on time are subject to a \$150 fine, in addition to the fee, which is enforceable by the Fair Political Practices Commission (the "Commission").² The Act also requires committees to file an amendment within 10 days to reflect a change of any information contained in the statement of organization.³

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code Sections 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

² Section 84101.5.

³ Section 84103.

Your actions violated the Act because you and the School Board Committee failed to timely pay the \$50 annual fee and the \$150 penalty to the SOS for 2014 through 2018. Furthermore, your actions violated the Act because you and the City Council Committee failed to timely file an amendment to the statement of organization. However, the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case with a warning letter because you paid the required annual fees and penalties to the SOS, and you filed the required amendment to the statement of organization immediately after being contacted by the Enforcement Division.

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 Enforcement Division case resolution without administrative prosecution. This resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause hearing or administrative hearing. 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 days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the Enforcement Division will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of your case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the Commission's website.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact Dominika Wojenska at (916) 322-2043 or dwojenska@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Galena West
Chief, Enforcement Division
Fair Political Practices Commission

GW: dw
cc: Secretary of State's Office
Robert Imhoff-Dousharm