



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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April 11, 2023

Alejandro Chavez
Diego Sandoval
o/b/o Alejandro Chavez for Supervisor 2018
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**Warning Letter re: FPPC No. 2019-00527: Alejandro Chavez for Supervisor 2018,
Alejandro Chavez, Diego Sandoval**

Dear Alejandro Chavez and Diego Sandoval:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ This case was opened in response to a campaign non-filer referral from the County of Monterey regarding Alejandro Chavez for Supervisor 2018’s failure to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

The Enforcement Division found that you failed to timely the above referenced semi-annual campaign statement. However, the violation is being resolved with a warning letter, as discussed below.

The Act requires candidate-controlled committees to file semi-annual statements each year no later than July 31 for the period ending June 30, and no later than January 31 for the period ending December 31.²

However, the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case with a warning letter for following reasons: the committee had less than \$2,000 of activity for the statement period, the statement and activity was unrelated to the election as it was a post-election semi-annual campaign statement, the candidate was unsuccessful, and the committee has been terminated. Therefore, the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case as to these issues with a warning letter.

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.

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 18109 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations.

² Section 84200.

A warning letter is an Enforcement Division case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. The Commission has adopted Regulation 18360.1 to authorize the Enforcement Division to issue warning letters to conclude cases in specified circumstances. 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 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 Enforcement Division 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 Commission's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

If you need forms, manual, or guidance regarding your obligations, please call the Commission's Toll-Free Advice Line at 1-866-275-3772 or visit our website at www.fppc.ca.gov. Please feel free to contact me at (916) 327-6358 or arose@fppc.ca.gov with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Alex J Rose

Alex J. Rose, Commission Counsel
Enforcement Division