



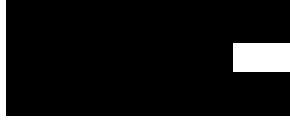
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FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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Juan Carlos Parra for CVIFD Board of Directors 2020

Juan Carlos Parra, Candidate

Alain Leon, Treasurer



Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 2021-00371, Juan Carlos Parra for CVIFD Board of Directors 2020, Alain Leon

Dear Committee, Juan Carlos Parra, and Alain Leon:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practice Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ This letter is in response to a referral from the County of San Bernadino alleging that the committee, Juna Carlos Parra for CVIFD Board of Directors 2020 (the “Committee”), failed to timely file certain semi-annual campaign statements. The Enforcement Division has completed its review of the facts in this case. Specifically, we found that the Committee failed to timely file one pre-election and six semi-annual campaign statements.

The Act requires candidate-controlled committees to file two pre-election campaign statements at specified times prior to the election in which the candidate will be on the ballot, as well as semi-annual campaign statements each year no alter than July 31 for the period ending June 30, and no later January 31 for the period ending December 31.² The obligation to file semi-annual campaign statements continues until the candidate or treasurer terminates the committee. Controlling candidates and committee treasurers are jointly and severally liable for violations by the committee.³

Your actions violated the Act because the Committee failed to timely file one pre-election campaign statement for the period ending October 17, 2020, and six semi-annual campaign statements for the periods ending December 31, 2020, June 30, 2021, December 31, 2021, June 30, 2022, December 31, 2022, and June 30, 2023 by the applicable deadlines. However, we are closing this case with this warning letter because there was minimal activity to report on the pre-election statement and no activity to report on the semi-annual statements, you were an

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code section 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practice Commission are contained in Section 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

² Sections 84200.5 and 84200.

³ Sections 83116.5 and 91006.

unsuccessful candidate, you terminated the Committee, and the Committee has no prior history of violating the Act.

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 or fine. The Commission has adopted Regulations 18360.1 and 18360.2 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 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 10 days from the date of this letter.

Please feel free to contact me at 279-237-3766 or cfelkins@fppc.ca.gov with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Felkins

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cc: *San Bernadino County Filing Officer*