



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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Christopher Voisey



Sent via Email: chris@voisey4rbmayor.org

Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 2021-00773, Voisey for Mayor 2021

Dear Christopher Voisey,

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 sworn complaint alleging that Voisey for Mayor 2021 (“the Committee”) failed to accurately report monetary and non-monetary contributions. The Enforcement Division has completed its review of the facts in this case. Specifically, we found that the Committee failed to accurately report one non-monetary contribution, by not including the occupation/employer information.

A central purpose of the Act is to ensure voters are fully informed and improper practices are inhibited by requiring committees to disclose all contributions received and expenditures made throughout a campaign on timely filed campaign statements and reports.² The Act requires candidates and their controlled committees to disclose specific information on their campaign statements. Specifically, any goods or services received by a campaign committee at no charge valued at or over \$100 are considered nonmonetary contributions and must be reported on Schedule C of a Recipient Committee Campaign Statement (Form 460).³

The Committee failed to fully report the details of a nonmonetary contribution made by the Candidate himself to the committee for third-party bill processing. The original Form 460 did not include the “Occupation and Employer.” However, the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case with a warning letter because the Committee filed an amendment to include all information for the non-monetary contribution, the Candidate was unsuccessful in the election, the Committee has terminated, and the Committee has no prior history of violating the Act.

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 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

² Section 81002, subd. (a); Section 84200, *et seq.*

³ Regulation 18215 subd (b)(3).

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 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.

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

Michael C. Felkins,
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