



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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December 12, 2025

Danielle Soto

Via email: [REDACTED]

Warning Letter re FPPC No. 2025-01073; Danielle Soto

Dear Danielle Soto:

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 Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk regarding your failure to timely file Form 470 (Campaign Statement - Short Form) in connection with your position as a Board Member for the Three Valleys Municipal Water District for the calendar year of 2023.

The Enforcement Division has completed its review of the facts in this case. Specifically, we found that you failed to timely file Form 470 for the calendar year of 2023. Additionally, we found that you failed to timely file a Form 470 Supplement within 48 hours of qualifying as a committee in 2024.

The Act requires elected officers who do not have an open committee and do not plan to raise or spend \$2,000 or more in a non-election calendar year to file Form 470 covering the entire calendar year by July 31.² Additionally, the Act permits candidates who do not plan to raise or spend more than \$2,000 during an election year to file Form 470 in place of the required pre-election and semi-annual campaign statements for the calendar year.³ However, if a candidate files Form 470 in connection with an election and thereafter receives contributions or makes expenditures totaling \$2,000 or more, the candidate must file a Form 470 Supplement. It must be sent to the Secretary of State, the local filing officer, and each candidate for the same office within 48 hours of raising or spending \$2,000 or more.⁴

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014 and all statutory references are to this code.

² Sections 84200 and 84206.

³ Section 84206; Regulation 18406.

⁴ *Ibid.*

You violated the Act by failing to timely file Form 470 as an officeholder for the calendar year of 2023, and by failing to timely file a Form 470 Supplement within 48 hours of qualifying as a committee in 2024. However, for the following reasons, the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case with a warning letter rather than a fine. You filed Form 470 for the calendar year of 2023 before you were contacted by the Enforcement Division, you were an unsuccessful candidate in the November 5, 2024 General Election, your committee raised and spent less than \$10,000 in connection with the election, your committee has been terminated, and you have no prior history of violating this section of 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 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 contact Vanessa Greer at 279-237-5965 or vgreer@fppc.ca.gov with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Kendall L.D. Bonebrake

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Chief, Enforcement Division

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