



CALIFORNIA FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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October 22, 2025

Julio Vargas

Sent via email: [REDACTED]

Warning Letter re: FPPC No. 2025-00831; Julio Vargas

Dear Julio Vargas:

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’s (Officeholder Campaign Statement Short Form) in connection with your position with the Lennox School District Board of Trustees.

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

You violated the Act by failing to timely file your Form 470 for calendar years 2023, 2024, and 2025 by July 31 each year. But since you filed the Form 470’s after being contacted by the Enforcement Division and you have no prior history of violating the Act, the Enforcement Division has decided to close your case with this warning letter rather than issue a fine. Please note that while the Enforcement Division is closing this matter without a fine, your filing officer may assess late filing penalties.

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

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 Sections 84200 and 84206.

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 have any questions, please feel free to contact Shaina Elkin at (279) 237-5949 or selkin@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Angela J. Brereton

Angela J. Brereton, Assistant Chief
Enforcement Division

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