



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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July 8, 2026

Matt Hawkins, Candidate



Kurt Bryant, Treasurer



Warning Letter re FPPC No. 2024-00919; Matt Hawkins, Committee to Elect Matt Hawkins for District 1 Supervisor 2024, Kurt Bryant

Dear Candidate, Committee, and Treasurer:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ As you are aware, the Enforcement Division received an anonymous complaint alleging that you failed to disclose a contribution on a pre-election campaign statement.

The Enforcement Division has completed its review of the facts in this case. Specifically, we found that you failed to report a contribution in the amount of \$237.45 on a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2024 through January 20, 2024, by the January 25, 2024 deadline. Additionally, we found that you failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of February 18, 2024 through June 30, 2024, by the July 31, 2024 deadline.

The Act requires committees to file semi-annual campaign 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 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 Furthermore, the Act requires contributions to be reported on campaign statements during the reporting period they were received.⁴

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 84200.

³ Sections 83116.5 and 91006.

⁴ Section 84211(a).

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to report one contribution on a pre-election campaign statement, by the January 25, 2024 deadline, and you failed timely file a semi-annual campaign statement, by the July 31, 2024 deadline. However, the Enforcement Division has decided to close this case with this warning letter rather than a fine because your pre-election campaign statement was amended to report the contribution, you filed the missing semi-annual campaign statement, you reported minimal activity on the campaign statement, you were an unsuccessful candidate, the committee has been terminated, and you have no prior history of violating this section of the Act. 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 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. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Vanessa Greer at vgreer@fppc.ca.gov or 279-237-5965 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Christopher Burton

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