



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 22, 2020

Via Electronic Mail Only

Leslie Lew
430 SW 13th Ave, Apt 1909
Portland, OR 97205

RE: P-MUR 640

Dear Mrs. Lew:

The Federal Election Commission (“Commission”), has ascertained information in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities indicating that you may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the “Act”).¹ Specifically, it appears that you may have been reimbursed for political contributions made during the 2018 and 2020 election cycles. This solicitation may have violated the Act, including but not limited to provisions of 52 U.S.C. § 30122 (contributions in name of another). We have numbered this matter P-MUR 640.

The Act affords you the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against you in this matter. If you wish to file a response, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission’s consideration of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath by persons with relevant knowledge. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel's Office, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 52 U.S.C. §§ 30109(a)(4)(B) and 30109(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public. Please be advised that, although the Commission cannot disclose information regarding an investigation to the public, it may share information on a confidential basis with other law enforcement agencies.²

¹ Notification of this referral is being provided to you pursuant to the Commission’s Agency Procedure for Notice to Respondents in Non-Complaint Generated Matters, as published in the Federal Register on August 4, 2009 (74 Fed. Reg. 38,617).

² The Commission has the statutory authority to refer knowing and willful violations of the Act to the Department of Justice for potential criminal prosecution, 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(5)(C), and to report information regarding violations of law not within its jurisdiction to appropriate law enforcement authorities. *Id.* § 30107(a)(9).

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address, and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission. Please note that you have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records, and materials relating to the subject matter of the submission until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

Any correspondence sent to the Commission must be addressed to **one** of the following (note, if submitting via email, this Office will provide an electronic receipt by email):

Mail
Federal Election Commission
Office of Complaints Examination
and Legal Administration
Attn: Christal Dennis, Paralegal
1050 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20463

OR

Email
CELA@fec.gov

As indicated in the FEC's Notice found at https://www.fec.gov/resources/cms-content/documents/status_of_fec_operations_8-10-2020.pdf, the office's mailroom is open on a limited basis and, therefore, processing paper correspondence may be delayed. Accordingly, we strongly encourage you to file responses and additional correspondence via email.

If you have any questions, please contact Christal Dennis at (202) 694-1519 or toll free at (800) 424-9530. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's preliminary procedures for processing submissions such as this.

Sincerely,



Jeff S. Jordan
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Complaints Examination &
Legal Administration