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October 19, 2016

VIA EMAIL & CERTIFIED MAIL

Representative Liz Vazquez
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Re: Notice of Penalty¹
24 Hour Campaign Disclosure Report²

Representative Vazquez:

According to our records you did not file a 24 Hour Report during the 2016 State Primary Election. During the 9 days prior to an election (8/7-8/15), candidates are required to disclose contributions that exceed \$250 within 24 hours of receipt. You were required to disclose two contributions through a 24 Hour Report, no later than August 12, 2016.³ Instead, these contributions were disclosed on your 30 Day General Report filed on October 12, 2016 (61 days late).⁴ By law a maximum penalty of \$500 accrues each day a report is late.⁵ The maximum penalty the Alaska Public Offices Commission could assess you is \$30,500.⁶

You have a number of options in this matter:

- 1) You may pay this penalty and avoid formal Commission action by remitting payment by check or money order payable to the State of Alaska to the Alaska Public Offices Commission at the address above; or, you may pay in cash at our offices. **Payment must be made within thirty days of the date of this letter.** If you are unable to pay the entire assessed penalty in a single payment and wish to discuss a payment plan, or have any other question concerning this matter, please contact the APOC staff.

¹ 2 AAC 50.855.

² AS 15.13.110.

³ AS 15.13.110(b).

⁴ Eric Behr, CK#250, \$500, 8/11/2016 and Eileen Behr, CK#134, \$500, 8/11/2016.

⁵ AS 15.13.390(a); AS 39.50.135; AS 24.60.240; AS 24.45.141.

⁶ 2 AAC 50.855(a).

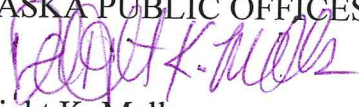
- 2) Alternatively, you have the right to appeal staff's conclusion that a violation has occurred or the penalty amount assessed.⁷ **If you wish to appeal you must submit the enclosed appeal affidavit to APOC within thirty days of the date of this letter.**⁸

If you appeal, staff will review your affidavit and prepare a recommendation for the Commission to consider concerning the violation and the penalty amount. You will receive a copy of that recommendation and a notification of when the Commission will meet to consider the matter. When the Commission reviews the appeal and recommendation you will have the opportunity to participate in the meeting either in person or telephonically.

Failure to respond to this notice by either making arrangements for payment within thirty days or submitting an appeal within thirty days will result in staff presenting this matter to the Commission for a final order in the amount of the maximum penalty.

A copy of this letter will be placed in your APOC file and is considered a public document. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact APOC staff.

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Delight K. Mellis
Paralegal II

Enclosures: Civil Penalty Appeal Affidavit
2 AAC 50.865

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this date, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document by Email & Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, to:

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 10-19-2016

Law Office Assistant Date

⁷ AS 15.13.390(a); AS 39.50.135; AS 24.60.240; AS 24.45.141.

⁸ 2 AAC 50.831(a).