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Julie A. Allen
Executive Director

October 27, 2010

The Honorable Jason Kander
State Representative
1300 Meadow Lake Terrace
Kansas City, MO 64114

Re: Case No. 10C155

Dear Representative Kander:

The Missouri Ethics Commission, considered at the October 27, 2010 meeting, the complaint filed against Friends of Jason Kander and you. The Commission reviewed the allegations that yard signs and a letter contained on your campaign's website did not contain the required paid for by disclosure, and that your committee did not disclose late fees paid in relation to your 8 Day Before Primary Election Report.

During this investigation, you provided information both from your campaign and a printing company. The special investigator made multiple attempts to contact the complainant, with specific messages at his place of business. The complainant in this case provided documents which could not be substantiated, or which were different from letters appearing on your website, or provided by you. Beyond the filing of the complaint, the complainant was never available to the special investigator for explanation of the issues and documents provided with the complaint.

Specifically, the investigation showed that all yard signs contained the required paid for by disclosure, with a 14 point font. Prior to printing the signs, you consulted the Federal Election Commission's guidelines and the font used exceeded those recommendations. The Commission found the required disclosure was "clear and conspicuous". In addition, the letter which was originally posted on your campaign's website and mailed to known supporters contained the required disclosure.

The investigation also showed that no late fees were required to be assessed or paid for the filing of your 8 Day Before Primary Report. Accordingly, there would be no requirement that a committee report a late fee which was never assessed.

From the facts presented, the Commission voted to dismiss this case as the allegations are unsubstantiated. The investigation did not show reasonable grounds for a violation of Chapter 130, RSMo.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie A. Allen".

Julie A. Allen, CPA, PMP
Executive Director

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