



**MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION**

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James Klahr  
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February 7, 2014

House Democratic Victory Committee  
Susan Cook, Treasurer  
2909 Sue Drive  
Jefferson City MO 65109

MEC No. 13E135

Dear Ms. Cook:

The Missouri Ethics Commission considered at its February 7, 2014 meeting the complaint filed against you and the House Democratic Victory Committee (HDVC), its treasurer and deputy treasurer. The Commission reviewed the allegation of failure to timely file a statement of committee organization and failure to file an 8 Day Before Election report pursuant to Chapter 130, RSMo.

The investigation showed that the HDVC timely formed and filed its statement of committee organization on March 13, 2013. The Committee received a contribution in the amount of \$2,000.00 from Committee to Elect Jake Hummel on February 27, 2013 and registered with the Commission within 20 days of receipt of the contribution. While the Committee to Elect Jake Hummel originally incorrectly reported giving the contribution on February 11, 2013, that committee has since amended its report to reflect the correct date that the contribution was received.

However, the House Democratic Victory Committee failed to file an 8 Day Before Election Report for the April 2, 2013 special election when it made a contribution in the amount of \$5,000 to Dake for the 157<sup>th</sup> Committee in support of Gwyn Dake for State Representative. The Committee has now filed the report and has paid a late fee in the amount of \$3,630.00 under Section 105.963, RSMo

From the facts presented, the Commission voted to dismiss this case. However, the Commission reminds you to follow all campaign finance reporting laws pursuant to Chapter 130, RSMo, including filing reports in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

  
James Klahr  
Executive Director