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The Missouri Ethics Commission, at its September 10, 2009 meeting, took the following actions:

The following cases were dismissed as they were unsubstantiated:

09E108 Metro West Fire Protection Dist., St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

09E108A Bob Reboulet, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

09E108B Tim Flora, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo

09E108C Ralph Starck, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo

09E113 Ozark Fire Protection District, Christian Co., Chapter 105, RSMo.

09E113A Anthony Appleton, Christian Co., Chapter 105, RSMo.

09E113B Jim Bowles, Christian Co., Chapter 105, RSMo.

09E113C Jay Johnson, Christian Co., Chapter 105, RSMo.

09E113D Stephanie Reagan, Christian Co., Chapter 105, RSMo.

09E113E Dale Bittle, Christian Co., Chapter 105, RSMo.

09E114 Mayor Ostmann & City of Bellflower, Montgomery Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

09E116 Shirley Martin, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

09E117 Henry Iwenfo, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

09E118 Charles Gamble, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

09E119 Derrick Carter, St. Louis Co., Chapter 105 RSMo.

The Commission approved the following Joint Stipulations of Facts, Conclusions of Law, Waiver of Hearing before the Missouri Ethics Commission, and issued a Consent Order in the following cases:

09A001 Democratic Attorneys General Association, Inc. and Jason Cohen, Treasurer

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Democratic Attorneys Association, ("DAGA"), Inc violated §130.021.10 and §130.021.5, RSMo, and that Respondents Democratic Attorneys Association, ("DAGA"), Inc and Jason S. Cohen violated §130.021.4(1), and §130.021.5, RSMo as stated in the Joint Stipulation.

The Commission ordered that a fee is imposed against the Respondent Democratic Attorneys Association, ("DAGA"), Inc., in the amount of \$10,000.00 pursuant to §105.961.4(6) RSMo. The fee will be paid by check or money order made payable to the Missouri Ethics Commission and sent to the Missouri Ethics Commission within forty-five (45) days of the date of the Consent Order.

It is further ordered of the Missouri Ethics Commission that a fee is imposed against Jason S. Cohen in the amount of \$2,000.00. However, if Respondent Cohen pays \$200.00 of that fee within forty- five (45) days after the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years, subject to the provisions below. The fee will be paid by check or money order made payable to the Missouri Ethics Commission and sent to the Missouri Ethics Commission. If Respondent Cohen has not committed any further violations of the campaign finance disclosure laws pursuant to Chapter 130, RSMo 2000, during the two year stay then Respondents will not be required to pay the balance of this fee. If, however, Respondent Cohen is found to have violated the campaign finance laws pursuant to Chapter 130, during this two year stay, Respondent Cohen will be required to pay the balance of the fee as originally imposed by the Commission. The amount of the balance will be due immediately upon final adjudication finding Respondent Cohen guilty of such a violation.

09A009 Theoda Lester and 22<sup>nd</sup> Ward Regular Democratic Organization

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law (“Joint Stipulation”) finding probable cause that the Respondent Theoda Lester and the 22<sup>nd</sup> Ward Regular Democratic Organization violated Section 130.021.5 and Section 130.031.2, RSMo., as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered that a fee is imposed against the Respondent Theoda Lester and 22<sup>nd</sup> Ward Regular Democratic Organization in the amount of \$2,000.00 pursuant to §105.961.4(6) RSMo. However, if Respondents pay \$200.00 of that fee within forty-five (45) days after the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years on the condition that Respondent Theoda Lester and the 22<sup>nd</sup> Ward Regular Democratic Organization does not commit any further violations of the campaign finance disclosure laws.

09E081 Bradley Harmon and St. Charles Organization of Republicans

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law (“Joint Stipulation”) finding probable cause that the Respondents Bradley Harmon and St. Charles Organization of Republicans violated Section 130.041.1(4)(d), Section 130.046.3(2) and Section 130.031.8, RSMo., as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered that a fee is imposed against the Respondents Bradley Harmon and St. Charles Organization of Republicans in the amount of \$1,000.00 pursuant to §105.961.4(6), RSMo. for the violation 130.041.1(4)(d), RSMo. and 130.046.3(2), RSMo. However, if Respondents pays \$100.00 of that fee within forty-five (45) days after the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years on the condition that Respondents Bradley Harmon and St. Charles Organization of Republicans does not commit any further violations of the campaign finance disclosure laws.

It is further ordered by the Commission that a fee be imposed against Respondents Bradley Harmon and St. Charles Organization of Republicans in the amount of \$100.00 pursuant to 105.961.4(6) for the violation of 130.031.8 RSMo. If Respondents Bradley Harmon and St. Charles Organization of Republicans have not committed any further violations of the campaign

finance disclosure laws pursuant to Chapter 130, RSMo, during the two year stay then Respondents will not be required to pay this fee.

09E086 Christee Zimmermann

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Christee Zimmermann violated Section 130.031.8 RSMo., as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered that a fee is imposed against the Respondent Christee Zimmermann in the amount of \$100.00 pursuant to 105.961.4(6) RSMo.