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**Final Action: MEC No. 18-0068-I, Willie Chris Carter, Committee to Elect Chris Carter**

**Date: January 3, 2019**

At its January 3, 2019 meeting, the Missouri Ethics Commission took final consideration of two complaints filed against Willie Chris Carter and Committee to Elect Chris Carter. One complaint alleged that Mr. Carter's campaign was receiving free office space for a campaign headquarters and had failed to report the rent value as an in-kind contribution. The other complaint alleged that Mr. Carter failed to include a "paid for by" disclosure on distributed campaign materials.

The investigation conducted by MEC staff concluded that the location alleged to be Carter's campaign headquarters was being used as nothing more than a mailing address. As to the second allegation, Mr. Carter produced documentation showing that he had properly reported the costs of all printed campaign materials from his campaign. This was supported by documents received from Mr. Carter's vendors. There was no evidence that his campaign was responsible for the creation or distribution of the materials provided with the complaint.

From the facts presented, the Commission found no reasonable grounds exist to support a violation of Chapter 130, RSMo, and dismissed the complaints.

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