



# Missouri Ethics Commission

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**Final Action: MEC No. 23-0043-I Western Cass Fire District Campaign Committee**

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The Missouri Ethics Commission took final consideration of the complaint filed against the Western Cass Fire District Campaign Committee and its treasurer at its October 24, 2023, meeting.

The complaint filed with the Commission alleged the Western Cass Fire Protection District (district) hosted an “open house” that was a campaign event. The complaint further alleged that because the district allowed the use of the district’s facility for this event without payment, it was an in-kind contribution, which the committee failed to report.

There was no evidence that the event was a campaign event for the committee or that the committee received anything of value from the fire district. While some individuals displayed committee materials on private vehicles at the open house, this did not cause the event to become a committee event.

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

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