



Missouri Ethics Commission

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Final Action: MEC No. 23-0007-I: Representative Ken Waller, Citizens to Elect Waller, Building Jeffco Together and Scott Steinmann

Date: December 1, 2025

The Missouri Ethics Commission took final consideration of the complaint filed against Ken Waller, Citizens to Elect Waller, Building Jeffco Together, and Scott Steinmann at its December 1, 2025, meeting.

The Commission received a complaint alleging Representative Waller, his committee, Building Jeffco Together and Scott Steinmann violated provisions of Chapter 130, RSMo., by failing to report in-kind contributions in relation to coordination while producing campaign materials.

The investigation confirmed that both committees used the same political consultant to produce mailers. It also confirmed that a friend of Representative Waller had taken professional photographs of Waller and maintained a file of campaign-related materials. A consultant used these photographs in producing mailers for both committees.

However, the investigation found no evidence that the two committees communicated with each other regarding the mailers, the photographs, or any campaign strategy. The consultant stated that he had permission to use the photos at his discretion, and the similarities between the mailers appear to be the result of the consultant's independent decision to reuse materials already in its possession, rather than from coordination between the committees.

The only proven fact is that the committees shared a common vendor, and the vendor reused the same photos and design elements. This alone is insufficient to demonstrate coordination under applicable standards.

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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