

Subj: **FEC should not change the rules for nonprofit advocacy in an Election year !!!!!**  
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**To Ms. Mai T. Dinh,  
Acting Assistant General Counsel :**

**Good Day Ms. Dinh, The Federal Election Commission has no legal right to treat non - profit interest groups as political committees. Congress and the courts have specifically considered and rejected such regulation.....Political operatives eg. the Republican National Committee is pressing the ("FEC") to issue new rules that would cripple groups that dare to communicate with the public in any way critical of Pres. Bush or members of Congress....**

**The ("FEC") should not change the rules for nonprofit advocacy in the middle of an election year, especially in ways that Congress already considered and rejected. Implementing these changes now would go far beyond what Congress decided and the Supreme Court upheld...These rules would shut down the legitimate activities of nonprofit organizations of all kinds that the ("FEC") has no authority at all to regulate.**

**Ms. Dinh, Nothing in the McCain - Feingold campaign reform law or the Supreme Court's decision upholding it provides any basis for these rules. That law is only about banning federal candidates from using unregulated contributions (" soft - money "). and political parties from doing so....**

**Thank You.....Joseph Gabisch**

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