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FEC RELEASES NINE INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on nine matters it has had under review (MURs). This release contains only summary information. Closed files should be thoroughly read for details, including FEC's legal analysis, of the MUR. Please see footnote at the end of this release. Summary files of the closed cases are available in the Office of Public Records. They are as follows:

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1. 1424

RESPONDENTS: (a) National Conservative Political Action Committee (VA);
(b) Caputo for Senate Committee (NY)
COMPLAINANT: Dominic J. Baranello, Chairman, New York State Democratic Committee (NY)
SUBJECT: Independent expenditures, contribution reporting, excessive contributions
DISPOSITION: (a) U.S. District Court Judge imposed: \$15,000 civil penalty*
(b) Conciliation agreement: \$3,000 civil penalty*

2. 2408

RESPONDENTS: (a) Nancy Dick for U.S. Senate Committee, Patricia L. Kist, treasurer (CO);
(b) Metro National Bank (CO)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Corporation contribution
DISPOSITION: (a) Decline to find probable cause to believe*
(b) Conciliation agreement: \$500 civil penalty*

3. 2577

RESPONDENTS: Floridians for President Reagan's Majority, William O. Inman, III, treasurer (FL)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to register and file disclosure reports timely; inadequate reporting
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$1,000 civil penalty*

4. 2664

RESPONDENTS: Ida G. Ruben (MD)
COMPLAINANT: Bernard A. Penner, Assistant State Prosecutor (MD)
SUBJECT: Disclaimer
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$250 civil penalty*

5. 2786

RESPONDENTS: IUOE Local 542 Operating Engineers Political Action Fund,
John P. Arnone, treasurer (PA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation Agreement: \$1,200 civil penalty*

6. 2794

RESPONDENTS: Harriman Society, Inc., Anthony Suozzi, treasurer (NY)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$2,000 civil penalty*

7. 2796

RESPONDENTS: Massachusetts Freeze Voter, Paul Castleman, treasurer
(MA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$250 civil penalty*

8. 2825

RESPONDENTS: Political Action Council of Educators, Betty Karnette,
treasurer (CA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$2,000 civil penalty*

9. 2835

RESPONDENTS: Wall and Ceiling Political Action Committee, Joe M.
Baker, Jr., treasurer (VA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$3,000 civil penalty*

*Following a complaint, the FEC may make a "reason to believe" finding which may trigger an investigation. Subsequently, the FEC may find "probable cause to believe" violation(s) occurred. An affirmative vote of at least four Commissioners is required for any action. At this stage the conciliation process could begin. If conciliation fails the FEC may institute a civil action for relief. The Commission may close a case at any point. For a complete explanation of the enforcement process - contact the FEC Press Office.
