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FEC RELEASES SIX INVESTIGATIVE FILES

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission has made public its final action on six 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:

MUR NO.

1. 2083

RESPONDENTS: (a) Bob Richards for President Committee (unauthorized), Washington, D.C., Blayne E. Hutzler, acting treasurer (DC);
(b) Tom Valentine, former treasurer of (a) committee (CA);
(c) Bob Richards for President Committee (principal campaign committee), Bob Richards, acting treasurer, Waco, Texas, (TX);
(d) Paul D. Richards, former treasurer of (c) committee (TX);
(e) Ed Shaw (CA)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Excessive contributions; improper loans and fund transfer; disclaimer; failure to amend statement of organization; improper committee name; inadequate disclosure

DISPOSITION: (a) U.S. District Court Consent Order: \$15,000 civil penalty*
(b) Reason to believe but took no further action*
(c) U.S. District Court Summary Judgment: \$12,000 civil penalty*
(d) Reason to believe but took no further action*
(e) No probable cause to believe*

2. 2101

RESPONDENTS: Citizens for the President '84, Thomas Allen Bayer, treasurer (OH)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Inadequate disclosure; failure to file disclosure report timely

DISPOSITION: Probable cause to believe; filed civil suit but voluntarily dismissed without prejudice*

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3. 2360

RESPONDENTS: Citizens to Elect Jerald Wilson for Congress, Jerald Wilson, treasurer (IL)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Probable cause to believe; filed civil suit but voluntarily dismissed without prejudice*

4. 2409/PRE-MUR 174

RESPONDENTS: (a) Bombadier, Inc. (Canada);
(b) Transportation Group, Inc. (FL);
(c) Ron Bookman and Associates, Inc., Ron Bookman, president (GA);
(d) Swindall for Congress Committee, Walter F. Pohl, Jr., treasurer (GA)
COMPLAINANT: Referral from Robert P. Lane, Executive Secretary, Georgia State Campaign and Financial Disclosure Commission (GA)
SUBJECT: Corporate contributions; foreign national contributions; contribution in the name of another
DISPOSITION: (a) No reason to believe*
(b) Reason to believe but took no further action*
(c) U.S. District Court Consent Order: \$500 civil penalty*
(d) Reason to believe but took no further action*

5. 2643/2645/2622

RESPONDENTS: Kendrick for Congress Campaign, Kairen Stephens, treasurer (TX)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely
DISPOSITION: Probable cause to believe but took no further action*

6. 2856

RESPONDENTS: American Space Frontier Committee, Ann Morris, treasurer (VA)
COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated
SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure report timely
DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$850 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.