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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 the 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. 2211/2210/2190/2128

RESPONDENTS: (a) Populist Party, Willis Carto (DC);
(b) Blayne E. Hutzel (MD);
(c) Liberty Lobby, Inc. (DC);
(d) Cordite Fidelity Service, Inc (DC);
(e) The Spotlight (DC);
(f) Willis Carto (CA)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated [2211/2128/2190]; Populist Party of the U.S. [2210]

SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely; failure to amend Statement of Organization timely; failure to disclose name of treasurer; failure to designate and disclose campaign depositories; knowingly making and accepting corporate contributions; failure to report or adequately itemize contributions, expenditures and debts

DISPOSITION: (a)-(f) U.S. District Court Consent Order \$20,000 civil penalty *
[and permanently enjoined from similar future violations]

2. 2800

RESPONDENTS: (a) League of Conservation Voters, Tina Hobson, treasurer (DC)
(b) Nalinda J. Kehoe (MD)
(c) Alden M. Meyer (MD)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Excessive contributions

DISPOSITION: (a) Conciliation agreement: \$2,250 civil penalty*
(b) Conciliation agreement: \$1,375 civil penalty*
(c) Conciliation agreement: \$1,375 civil penalty*

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3. 2406

RESPONDENTS: (a) Carl Russell Channell (DC);
(b) National Endowment for the Preservation of Liberty (DC);
(c) American Conservative Trust, Carl R. Channel, treasurer (DC);
(d) American Conservative Trust State Election Fund (DC);
(e) Anti-Terrorism American Committee, Carl R. Channell, treasurer (DC);
(f) Anti-Terrorism American Committee State Election Fund, Carl R. Channell, treasurer (DC);
(g) Sentinel (DC);

COMPLAINANT: Honorable Beryl Anthony, Chairman, Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DC)

SUBJECT: Failure to register, file disclosure reports, report change of treasurer and accurately disclose information; prohibited contributions and expenditures; federal disbursements from non-federal account

DISPOSITION: (a)-(g) Reason to believe but closed the file following Mr. Channell's death.

4. 2844

RESPONDENTS: Nevada Sportsmen and Outdoorsmen Association, Max Christiansen, secretary (NV)

COMPLAINANT: Bill Vincent, Citizen Alert (NV)

SUBJECT: Failure to register and report as political committee; failure to disclose independent expenditures; disclaimer

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$2,500 civil penalty*

5. 2905

RESPONDENTS: American Association of Physicians from India PAC, Vinod K. Sawhney, treasurer (TX)

COMPLAINANT: FEC Initiated

SUBJECT: Failure to file disclosure reports timely; failure to report change of treasurer timely

DISPOSITION: Conciliation agreement: \$3,250 civil penalty*

6. 3071

RESPONDENTS: (a) Homeshield Insurance Company (OK);
(b) Gary R. Peterson (OK);
(c) Betty L. Rodgers (OK);
(d) George J. Records (OK)

COMPLAINANT: Bill Viner (OK)

SUBJECT: Contributions in the name of another

DISPOSITION: (a)-(d) No reason to believe*

*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.

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