

January 17, 2023

Catharine Porter Oneill, Treasurer Sagebrush Rebellion PAC 301 Thelma Dr Ste 202 Casper, WY 82609

> Response Due Date January 26, 2023

Re: ADR 1094 (RAD 22L-26)

Sagebrush Rebellion PAC and Catharine Porter Oneill, Treasurer (C00792358)

Dear Catharine Porter Oneill:

The Federal Election Commission (FEC or Commission) referred a compliance issue to the FEC's Alternative Dispute Resolution Office (ADR Office) for processing. The referral by the Reports Analysis Division (RAD) was based on a review of reports filed by Sagebrush Rebellion PAC which reflect a possible failure to comply with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

An email was sent to your office on December 22, 2022, regarding an opportunity to participate in the ADR program at the Commission to resolve this matter. To date, the Commission has received no response. The FEC established the ADR Program to provide an informal means for resolving matters that come before the Commission and to facilitate negotiations directly with Sagebrush Rebellion PAC and Catharine Porter Oneill, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee). The ADR Program provides Respondents with an opportunity to negotiate settlement of a matter that is mutually agreeable. The negotiations occur prior to any Commission consideration of whether there is reason to believe a violation has occurred. If negotiations are successful, the resulting settlement would conclude the matter.

The Commission, in referring the matter to the ADR Office, determined that the case is eligible for processing in the ADR program. If Respondents decide to participate in the ADR Program, you must: 1) indicate in writing a willingness to have your case submitted for ADR processing; 2) agree to participate in the bilateral interest based negotiations; and 3) waive the statute of limitations while the matter is being processed under the FEC's ADR program.

The issues referred to the ADRO, and the focus of our subsequent negotiations are summarized as follows:

The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred Sagebrush Rebellion PAC and Catharine Porter ONeill, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to timely file three (3)

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24-Hour Reports totaling \$79,824.15 to support six (6) independent expenditures disclosed on the 2022 July Quarterly Report. On October 6, 2022, the Committee filed three (3) 24-Hour Reports to support these independent expenditures

In an FEC Form 99 (Miscellaneous Electronic Submission) filed on October 6, 2022, the Committee stated that the reports were not timely filed because the personnel preparing the reports were not made aware of the expenditures until after the 24-Hour reporting period.

If after reviewing this letter and the enclosed ADR Frequently Asked Questions, which describe the ADR program, Respondent(s) would like to participate in ADR processing, you need to affirmatively indicate that on the enclosed Commitment to Submit Matter to ADR form. Failure to respond affirmatively by January 26, 2023 will be taken as a notice of disinterest in the program and your case will be dropped from further consideration for ADR. In that event, your case will be sent to the FEC's Office of General Counsel for further processing.

This matter has been designated as **ADR 1094**. Please refer to this number in future correspondence with the FEC. If you have questions about the ADR Program, please contact the ADRO at my direct dial as indicated below

Sincerely,

Rosa Marshall Assistant Director

Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

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