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SENSITIVE**MEMORANDUM**

September 26, 2023

TO: The Commission

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to Approve Negotiated Settlement
ADR 1112 - Andy Ogles for Congress and Thomas
Datwyler, Treasurer (C00811844)

RESOLUTION TERMS: Develop and certify implementation of a process to track receipt of, and response to, communications with the Commission; certify that a representative of the Committee participated in an FEC training; and pay a civil penalty of \$5,750.

Attached for your review is a signed Negotiated Settlement pertaining to ADR 1112 (AD A23-09). The ADR Office received this referral from the Commissioners on May 10, 2023.

SUMMARY: The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred Andy Ogles for Congress and Thomas Datwyler, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for a series of reporting errors and other FECA violations during the 2021-2022 election cycle. The Committee's errors included, among other items: the failure to file and late filing of reports; excessive, prohibited, and other impermissible contributions/transfers; and failure to provide supporting schedules. RAD additionally referred Respondents for amending its 2022 October Quarterly Report on January 5, 2023, to disclose additional receipts, totaling \$89,877.25, and for the

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failure to timely file 48-Hour Notices for the 2022 primary election, totaling \$15,800, and for the 2022 general election, totaling \$13,700.¹

During negotiations, the Committee stated the errors were the result of internal miscommunications. Upon receiving notification from the Commission, the Committee corrected all outstanding issues, albeit untimely.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached Negotiated Settlement of Andy Ogles for Congress and Thomas Datwyler, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.