



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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January 18, 2022

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RE: MUR 7139

Dear Mr. Nordberg:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated October 15, 2018, but on January 28, 2021, the Commission failed to find reason to believe that Maryland USA and Joel Ritter in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) in connection with the alleged republication of Amie Hoeber for Congress campaign materials; that Amie Hoeber and Amie Hoeber for Congress and Chris Marston in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(f) in connection with alleged coordinated communications with Maryland USA; and that Mark Epstein and Maryland USA and Joel Ritter in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) in connection with his alleged coordination with Maryland USA. The Commission was also equally divided on whether to find no reason to believe that these alleged violations occurred. Subsequently, on January 11, 2022, the Commission closed its file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016).

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. *See* 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact Thaddeus H. Ewald, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650 or tewald@fec.gov.

Sincerely,

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