

FEDERAL ELECTION
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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 7292
 Clifford "Cliff" B. Stearns; Friends of)
 Cliff Stearns and Joan Stearns in her)
 official capacity as treasurer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Dayna C. Brown, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on March 19, 2019, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 2-2 to:
 - a. Find reason to believe that Clifford "Cliff" B. Stearns and Friends of Cliff Stearns and Joan Stearns in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30114(b).
 - b. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated April 27, 2018.
 - c. Approve the use of compulsory process.
 - d. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Hunter and Petersen dissented.

2. Decided by a vote of 4-0 to:
 - a. Find reason to believe that Clifford "Cliff" B. Stearns and Friends of Cliff Stearns and Joan Stearns in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30114(b).

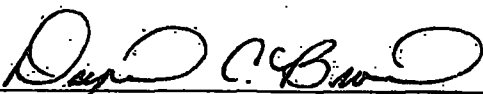
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- b. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated April 27, 2018, subject to the edits circulated by Commissioner Hunter and Petersen's offices on March 15, 2019 and counter-edits received from Commissioner Weintraub's office on March 18, 2019.
- c. Instruct the Office of General Counsel to prepare an appropriate conciliation agreement to be circulated on tally as soon as possible.
- d. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

March 20, 2019
Date


Dayna C. Brown
Secretary and Clerk of the Commission

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