

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C.

1		March 13, 2024	
2 3	MEMORANDUM		
4 5	TO:	The Commission	
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18 19 20	SUBJECT:	MUR 7833 (Montcalm LLC, et al.)	
21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	LLC violated committee and Commission a in his official contributions sufficient vote 52 U.S.C. § 30	On February 27, 2024, the Commission voted to find no reason to believe that Montcalm LLC violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30102, 30103, or 30104 by failing to register and report as a political committee and voted to approve the relevant portions of the Factual and Legal Analyses. The Commission also dismissed the allegation that Congressional Leadership Fund and Caleb Crosby n his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by knowingly accepting contributions made in the name of another. Finally, the Commission was unable to secure sufficient votes to find reason to believe that Hendrik G. Meijer and Montcalm LLC violated 52 U.S.C. § 30122 by making or knowingly permitting one's name to be used to effect a contribution in the name of another. As a result, the Commission voted to close the file in this matter.	
32 33 34 35 36 37 38	Because the "relevant portions" of the Factual and Legal Analysis for Montcalm LLC (those concerning the Complaint's political committee registration and reporting allegations) were premised on findings concerning 52 U.S.C. § 30122, <i>i.e.</i> , that Meijer made the contribution at issue and Montcalm LLC merely acted as a conduit and did not itself make any contribution, the Office of General Counsel was required to make substantive edits and adjustments to the Factual & Legal Analysis to create a cogent standalone argument supporting those approved		

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portions, requiring further Commission approval. Because the file is closed, in order to approve
the edited Factual and Legal Analysis as to Montcalm LLC, we recommend that the Commission
reopen the MUR 7833 file, approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, and then close the file.

5 **RECOMMENDATIONS** 6

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- 1. Reopen MUR 7833;
 - 2. Approve the attached Factual and Legal Analysis;
 - 3. Close the file effective 30 days from the date of certification of this vote (or on the next business day after the 30th day, if the 30th day falls on a weekend or holiday); and
 - 4. Send the appropriate letters.