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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

Via Regular Mail Benjamin Knopke

Kansas City, Missouri 64713

February 10, 2022

RE: MUR 7498 Benjamin Knopke

Dear Mr. Knopke:

On August 30, 2018, Steve Watkins, Sr. and Diane Watkins provided a *sua sponte* submission, designated as Pre-MUR 616, to the Federal Election Commission indicating potential violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of I971, as amended. On November 16, 2018, you joined in on the *sua sponte* submission as a respondent.

Upon further review of the Submission and information supplied by you, the Commission, on January 27, 2022, voted to dismiss and close the matter as it pertains to you. You are advised that the confidentiality provisions of 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(12)(A) remain in effect, and that this matter is still open with respect to other respondents. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed.

If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly D. Hart, the attorney, assigned to this matter, at (202) 746-8564 or at <u>khart@fec.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Mark Shonkwiler

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