STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

NOTICE OF INFORMAL HEARING, PURSUANT TO § 120.57(2), F.S.

TO: Philip Nichols 5865 Branch Valley Way Cumming, Georgia 30040-7090

> Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street RA Gray Building, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on May 14, 2013, at 8:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard, the Florida Elections Commission will decide whether Respondent violated those sections of The Florida Election Code charged in the Order of Probable Cause. The Commission shall meet at: Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room S-401, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6526.

Pursuant to Section 106 25(5), *Florida Statutes*, within thirty days after the date of the filing of the Commission's allegation, you had the opportunity to elect for a formal hearing However, you failed to do so, and because there is no issue of material fact, the instant case will be resolved in an informal hearing Respondent and staff shall each have the opportunity to briefly present their case to the Commission Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of your right to a hearing, and the Commission will decide this case on the record before it Convenience of location is not a basis for continuing or postponing the scheduled hearing See reverse side for additional instructions.

If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs, Florida Elections Commission, at (850) 922-4539 or by mail at 107 West Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at least 5 days before the hearing

PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.

Dated on April 16, 2013

Amy McKeever Toman Executive Director

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR INFORMAL HEARING

An informal hearing is a hearing in which the Respondent does not dispute issues of material fact upon which the determination of probable cause is based. At the informal hearing, the Florida Elections Commission will decide whether Respondent violated those sections of The Florida Election Code charged in the Order of Probable Cause, whether to impose a fine, and the amount of the fine. At the informal hearing, Respondent must admit to the facts set forth in the Staff Recommendation.

The hearing will be conducted pursuant Sections 120 569 and 120 57(2), *Florida Statutes*; Chapter 28, *Florida Administrative Code*, the Uniform Rules of Procedures; and Commission Rule 2B-1.004, *Florida Administrative Code*.

The Commission will electronically record the meeting. Although the Commission's recording is considered the official record of the hearing, the Respondent may, at his own expense, provide a certified court reporter to also record the hearing

Before the hearing, the Commission will review the Order of Probable Cause, the Staff Recommendation, and all the written documents filed by the parties with the Commission Clerk at least <u>ten days</u> before the hearing. <u>If Respondent introduces any documents at the hearing, he or she should bring the original, if available, and a copy for each of the nine Commissioners and the staff attorney</u>

When the case is called, the Chair will read a brief statement and may ask the Respondent and his attorney, if one is present, to state their names for the record The Respondent will be sworn in prior to giving testimony Staff will then present its case to the Commission Either party may reserve part of his time to respond to the other party's presentation

After staff's presentation, Respondent will have the opportunity to present his case. Respondent should explain why the facts in the Staff Recommendations do not support the violations charged in the Order of Probable Cause. At the request of Respondent, the Commission will consider and determine willfulness at the informal hearing Because the hearing is informal, the Respondent should not argue that the facts in the Staff Recommendations are untrue.

Respondent may also argue the appropriate fine that the Commission should impose if violations are found If Respondent claims that his limited resources make him unable to pay the statutory fine, <u>he must</u> provide the Commission with written proof of his financial resources A financial affidavit form is available from the Commission Clerk.

After the presentations are concluded, the Commissioners will discuss the case and may ask questions of Respondent, his attorney, and staff The Commission's decision on whether Respondent violated The Florida Election Code and whether to impose a fine will be made by a majority vote of those members present and voting

In seven to ten days after the Commission meeting, the Commission will send to Respondent a written order reflecting the Commission's decision. If the Commission does not find a violation, the case will be dismissed. If the Commission finds a violation and imposes a fine, Respondent will have 30 days to pay the fine.

If you have any questions about the procedures for the hearing or to request a copy of the financial affidavit form, please contact Donna Ann Malphurs at 107 W. Gaines Street Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050, phone number: (850) 922-4539, and fax number: (850) 921-0783.

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		COVER SHEET		
	CASE NA	ME: FEC vs. Philip Nichols (Treasurer, Our Fair Share for Florida)		
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41	NVESTIGAT	OR: Helen Hinson		
ATTOR	NEY FOR F	EC: Eric Lipman		
ENTRY				
1	03/26/12	Filing Officer's referral		
2	03/28/12	14 day review letter to Respondent with copy of referral		
3	04/20/12	2 nd 14 day review letter to Registered Agent with copy of referral		
4	05/18/12	Letter to Respondent opening case		
5	05/24/12	Filing history; online research including copy of the Division's		
		acknowledgment letter dated May 12, 2011 and 2011 Calendar of		
		Reporting Dates		
6	05/29/12	Email-to-and-from Division of Elections re: R's 2011 Q4 Report		
7	05/30/12	Email to R re: affidavit of R's background info.		
8	06/11/12	Email to Respondent re: 2012 Calendar of Reporting Dates		
9	06/11/12	Telephone Log		
10	06/11/12	Report of Investigation (ROI) with Exhibits		
11	06/11/12	Letter to Respondent with copy of ROI		
12	06/12/12	Amended ROI with Exhibits		
13	06/13/12	Letter to Respondent with copy of Amended ROI		
14	06/14/12	Email to R re: Amended ROI		
15	06/28/12	Staff's Recommendation		
16	06/29/12	Letter to Respondent with copy of SR		
17	07/23/12	Notice of Hearing		
18	08/31/12	Order Continuing Case		
19	08/31/12	TL to Respondent with copy of Order Continuing Case		
20	10/29/12	Notice of Probable Cause Hearing		
21	11/30/12	Order of Probable Cause		
22	12/07/12	Order of Probable Cause Transmittal Letter		
23	01/29/13	Committee's filing history and email forwarded from SOEs office		
24	02/05/13	Subpoena and related emails and records		
25	02/07/13	Online records searches re: financial investigation		
26	02/07/13	Affidavit of Financial Resources and Phone Log		
27	02/11/13	Letter from Georgia Department of Driver Services		
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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

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		Case Number: FEC-12-048
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION	Plaintiff(s),	· · ·
VS.		
PHILIP NICHOLS	Defendant(s)	
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That on 3/9/2013 at 5:49 pm, at 5865 Branch Val Deponent served the within Order of Probable O Notice of Probable Cause Hearing, Order Cont	Cause, Notice of Right to Hearing, Staff R	ecommendation Following Investigation,
On PHILIP NICHOLS		
INDIVIDUAL: By delivering a true copy of each described as said defendant therein.	ch to said personally, deponent knew the p	erson so served to be the person
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Subscribed and Sworn to before me on 3/11/2013 by the affiant

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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CERTIFIED MAIL: 70041160000491862272

Philip Nichols 5865 Branch Valley Way Cumming, Georgia 30040-7090

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

The Florida Elections Commission at its last regularly scheduled meeting considered this case and issued the order that is enclosed with this letter Please read the order carefully. As the Respondent, you are entitled to a hearing The Order of Probable Cause will explain in detail how you obtain a hearing

If you prefer to enter into a consent order, please contact me at the telephone number or address listed above and I will attempt to reach an agreement with you.

Since the Commission has determined probable cause, Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, provides that all investigative reports and other documents related to this case are no longer confidential.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely. Jonna 4:

Lipman Interim Executive Director

Enclosures: Order of Probable Cause and Staff Recommendation



FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street Collins Building, Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 (850) 922-4539

January 28, 2013

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December 7, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL: 70041160000491862067

Philip Nichols 3000 Oasis Blvd. #2506 Ft. Myers, Florida 33916

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Sincerely

Wayne L Rubinas Executive Director

Enclosures: Order of Probable Cause and Staff Recommendation cc: Division of Elections, Complainant/Filing Officer w/enclosures DM

STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

Agency Case No.: FEC 12-048

Philip Nichols, Respondent.

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ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS CAUSE came on to be heard before the Florida Elections Commission at its meeting held on November 15, 2012, in Tallahassee, Florida

The Commission has reviewed the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff Recommendation, all documents submitted by the Respondent, any relevant documents, and considered all oral statements made at the probable cause hearing. Based on the facts set forth in the Staff Recommendation, which is incorporated herein and attached to this order, the Commission finds that there is probable cause that Respondent committed one count of violating Chapter 106, Florida Statutes:

Count 1:

On or about January 10, 2012, Respondent violated Section 106 07 (1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file timely Our Fair Share for Florida's 2011 Q4 Report listing all contributions received and expenditures made by Our Fair Share for Florida during the reporting period.

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Tim Holladay, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

As the Respondent, you may elect to resolve this case in several ways First, you may elect to resolve this case by <u>consent order</u> where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violations and agree to the amount of the fine. The agreed to consent order is then presented to the Commission for its approval. To discuss a consent order, contact the attorney who signed the Staff Recommendation attached to the Order of Probable Cause.

Second, you may request an <u>informal hearing</u> held before the Commission, if you <u>do not</u> dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date of the Order of Probable Cause to request such a hearing. At the hearing, you will have the right to make written or oral arguments to the Commission concerning the legal issues related to the violations and the potential fine. At the request of Respondent, the Commission will consider and determine willfulness at an informal hearing. Otherwise, live witness testimony is unnecessary

Third, you may request a <u>formal hearing</u> held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation You have 30 days from the date of the Order of Probable Cause to request such a hearing At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you

If you do not elect to resolve the case by consent order or request a formal hearing at the DOAH or an informal hearing before the Commission within 30 days of the date of this Order of Probable Cause, the case will be sent to the Commission and you will be entitled to a formal or informal hearing

To request a hearing, please send a written request to the Commission Clerk, Donna Ann Malphurs The address of the Commission Clerk is 107 W. Gaines Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 The telephone number is (850) 922-4539. The Clerk will provide you with a copy of Chapter 28-106, *Florida Administrative Code*, and other applicable rules upon request No mediation is available.

Copies furnished to:

Jaakan Williams, Assistant General Counsel Philip Nichols, Respondent (certified mail) Kristi Reid Bronson, Filing Officer

Attachment: Staff Recommendation

STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to section 106 25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is probable cause to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Amended Report of Investigation submitted on June 12, 2012, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1 On March 26, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections ("Division"), alleging that Philip Nichols ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes

2. Respondent is the treasurer and chairman of Our Fair Share for Florida, a political "Committee" registered with the Division of Elections

3 By letter dated May 18, 2012, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provisions:

> Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes: Philip Nichols, treasurer for Our Fair Share for Florida, failed to file his 2011 Q4 Campaign Finance Report that was due on January 10, 2012, as alleged in the referral from the Division of Elections

4 On May 10, 2011, the Committee filed its Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees form (DS-DE 6) appointing Respondent treasurer of the committee (ROI Exhibit 1)¹

5 By letter dated May 12, 2011, Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, Division of Elections, advised Respondent that all reports must be filed electronically using the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS) (ROI Exhibit 3).

6 Ms Bronson's letter also advised Respondent that it was his responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws Respondent was further advised that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms were on its website and directed to print a copy of Chapter 106 of the Florida Statutes, the 2010 Political Committee Handbook, the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2017 of the Florida

¹ The Amended Report of Investigation is referred to herein as "ROI "

Administrative Code² Id

7 Respondent failed to file timely the Committee's 2011 Q4 Report on January 10, 2012 (ROI Exhibit 4).

8 By letters dated January 12, 2012 and January 26, 2012, Ms Bronson informed Respondent that his 2011 Q4 Report had not been filed On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice to Respondent informing him that it had not received the Committee's 2011 Q4 Report The letter was delivered on February 22, 2012 (ROI Exhibit 2)

9 On February 10, 2012, Division staff attempted to contact Respondent by telephone However, the telephone number on file with the Division appeared to be disconnected Thereafter, staff phoned the committee's registered agent, Kenneth Foote, and left a voice message regarding the 2011 Q4 Report.

10. After receiving three written notices and a voice message left with the Committee's Registered Agent, Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report on March 23, 2012, 73 days late ³ (ROI Exhibit 5)

11 "Probable Cause" is defined as reasonable ground of suspicion supported by circumstances sufficiently strong to warrant a cautious person in the belief that the person has committed the offense charged <u>Schmitt v State</u>, 590 So 2d 404, 409 (Fla 1991). Probable cause exists where the facts and circumstances, of which an [investigator] has reasonably trustworthy information, are sufficient in themselves for a reasonable man to reach the conclusion that an offense has been committed <u>Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles v Favino</u>, 667 So 2d 305, 309 (Fla 1st DCA 1995)

12 Ihe facts set forth above show that Respondent is the treasurer for the political committee Our Fair Share for Florida Respondent failed to timely file the Committee's 2011 Q4 Campaign Report on January 10, 2012 By letters dated January 12, 2012, January 26, 2012, and February 20, 2012, the Division notified Respondent that it had not received the Committee's Q4 Report. Despite receiving three letters from the Division, and a phone call to the Committee's Registered agent, Respondent failed to file the Committee's report until March 23, 2012, 73 days late

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find probable cause to charge Respondent with violating the following:

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² Information appears in **bold** typeface on the letter

³ A fine of \$125 was imposed by the filing officer for this untimely filing of the 2011 Q4 Report As of June 11, 2002, the fine remains unpaid

Count 1:

On or about January 10, 2012, Respondent violated Section 106.07 (1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file timely Our Fair Share for Florida's 2011 Q4 Report listing all contributions received and expenditures made by Our Fair Share for Florida during the reporting period

Respectfully submitted on June $\underline{28}, \underline{2012},$

Joshi Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this 2^{4} day of June 2012

Emph

for Rosanna Catalano Executive Director

STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

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NOTICE OF PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING

TO: Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Ft. Myers, Florida 33916-1644

> Ms Kristi Reid Bronson Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0150

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 15, 2012, at 9:00 am. or thereafter as the parties can be heard, the Florida Elections Commission will bring on to be heard whether there is probable cause that Respondent violated a provision of The Florida Election Code. The Commission shall meet at: Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room TBA (call 850-922-4539 on November 13, 2012 to verify Room Number), Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6526.

Respondent and staff shall each have time to make a brief oral argument to the Commission before it determines probable cause. Complainant will be permitted to attend the probable cause hearing. Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of oral argument and the Commission will decide this matter on the record before it. Convenience of location is not a basis for continuing or postponing the hearing. Please note that this matter may not be addressed individually and it may be voted on en masse by the Commission See reverse side for additional instructions.

If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs, Commission Clerk, Florida Elections Commission, at (850) 922-4539 or at 107 W. Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida, at least 5 days before the hearing.

PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.

Dated on October 29, 2012

Eric M Lipman Interim Executive Director

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

107 W. Gaines Street Collins Building, Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 (850) 922-4539

Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Ft. Myers, Florida 33916-1644

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr Nichols:

The Florida Elections Commission at its last regularly scheduled meeting considered the above referenced case and issued the order that is enclosed

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Eric M Lipman Interim Executive Director

Enclosure: Order

STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Philip Nichols

CASE NO.: FEC 12-048

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ORDER CONTINUING CASE

THIS CAUSE was scheduled to be heard before the Florida Elections

Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting held on August 14, 2012, in

Tallahassee, Florida

The Commission was unable to hear this case at its meeting

Therefore, it is

ORDERED and **ADJUDGED** that the case is continued until the

Commission's next meeting on November 14 & 15, 2012, in Tallahassee, Florida

DONE AND, ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on

<u>Hargust /4</u>, 2012

Tim Holladay, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:

Eric Lipman, Interim Executive Director Philip Nichols, Respondent

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STATE OF FLORIDA FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

NOTICE OF PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING

TO: Philip Nichols
 Our Fair Share for Florida
 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., Suite 2506
 Fort Myers, Florida 33916-1644

Kristi Reid Bronson Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, Florida 32399

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 14, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. or thereafter as the parties can be heard, the Florida Elections Commission will bring on to be heard whether there is probable cause that Respondent violated a provision of The Florida Election Code The Commission shall meet at: Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room S401, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6526.

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PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY. Dated on July <u>23rd</u>, 2012

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Rosanna Catalano Executive Director

ADDENDUM TO AFFIDAVIT OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES Case Number: FEC 12-048

STATE OF FLORIDA County of Leon

Helen Hinson, being duly sworn, says:

1 This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein

I am an investigator employed by the Florida Elections Commission who was assigned to conduct a financial investigation In Re: Philip Nichols, FEC 12-048 Additional relevant information has been brought to my attention concerning Respondent's financial resources since I completed my affidavit on or about February 7, 2013 Pursuant to Section 106 265, Florida Statutes, I have taken the following steps to determine Respondent's financial resources.

4. On February 14, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records of the Federal Election Commission's website to determine whether Respondent had made a campaign contribution to a federal candidate and or political committee; Respondent contributed \$2,500.00 each to two federal political committees totaling \$5,000.00 in 2011

5. On February 14, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records of the Federal Election Commission's website to determine whether any of Respondent's businesses had made a campaign contribution to a federal candidate and or political committee; no contribution was found

6. On February 14, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records of the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections' website to determine whether Respondent had made a campaign contribution to a candidate and or political committee since January 1, 2000; no campaign contribution was found.

7. On February 14, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records of the Florida Department of State, Division of Elections' website to determine whether any of Respondent's businesses had made a campaign contribution to a candidate and or political committee since January 1, 2000; his business Whitestar Strategies LLC made two contributions—a \$500 contribution to a candidate, and a \$2,700 contribution to an issues only political committee, Our Fair Share for Florida—during the 2012 election cycle totaling \$3,200.00. (Note as discussed in paragraph 9 of my Affidavit of Financial Resources dated February 7, 2013, Respondent and Whitestar Strategies LLC were hired by a casino developer to obtain petition signatures to place a gaming referendum on the November 2012 general election ballot in Lee County, Florida)

I SWEAR OR AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

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Keln ×1 Signature of Affiant

Signature of Annant Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this $\mu \mu$

day of Eebruary 2013

ONNU Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

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Personally Known _____ or Produced Identification _____

Type of Identification Produced:

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Presented by the Federal Election Commission

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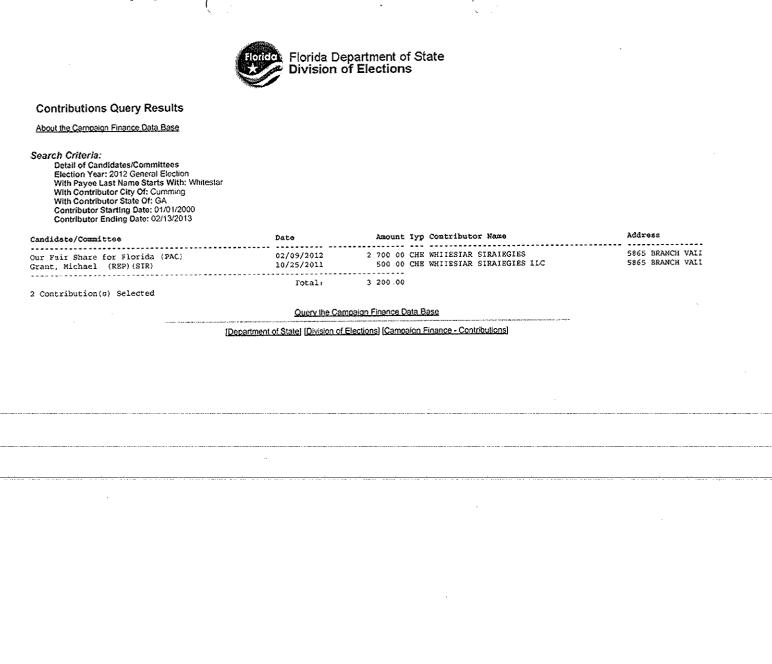
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2012 General Election State Representative District 76

Michael Grant

Republican

Address	Campaign Treasurer
Post Office Box 367201	Vickie Potts
Bonita Springs, FL 34136	16317-Limerick Avenue
	Port Charlotte, FL 33954
Phone: (941)661-0723	

Status: Defeated

Date Filed: 01/19/2011

Date Qualified: 06/04/2012

Method: Made ballot position by petition method

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Total Soft Money: 1500.00

Contributions to Political Committees

NICHOLS, PHIL

AVON PARK, FL 33825 RETIRED

THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN TRUST PAC

09/02/2010	500 00	10931552606
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NICHOLS, PHIL

AVON PARK, FL 33825 SELF-EMPLOYED

O'DONNELL, CHRISTINE VIA FRIENDS OF CHRISTINE O'DONNELL

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NICHOLSON, PHILIP

BOULDER, CO 80304 SELF-EMPLOYED

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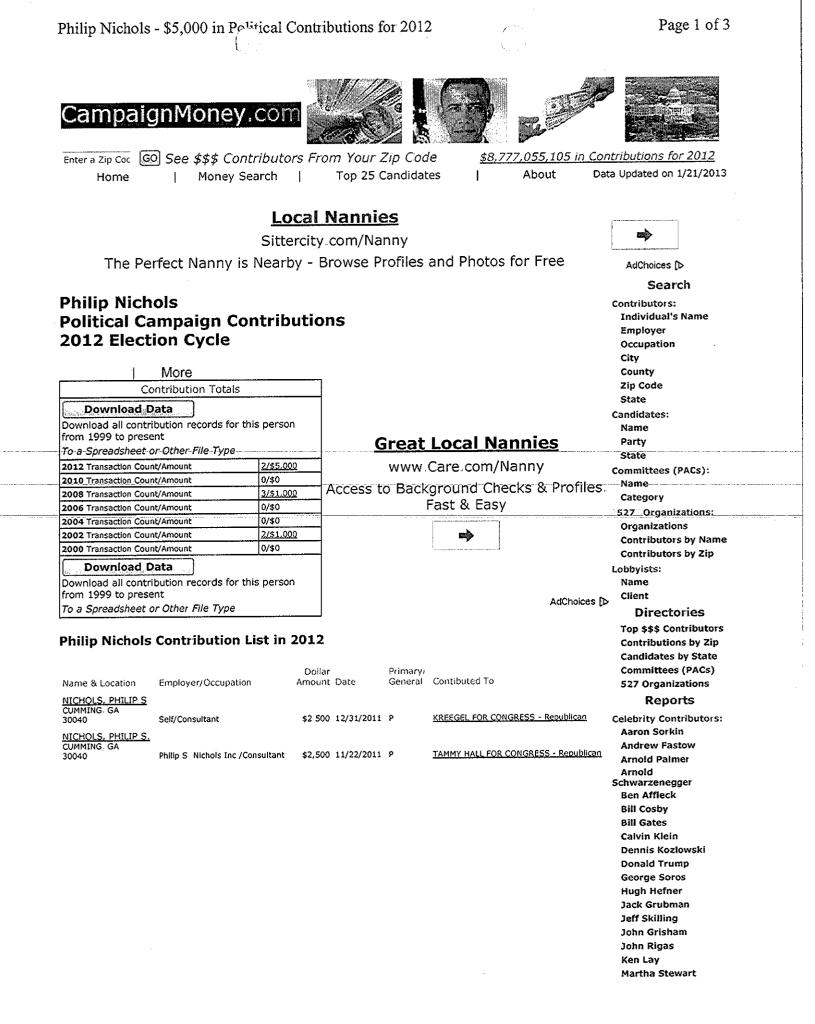
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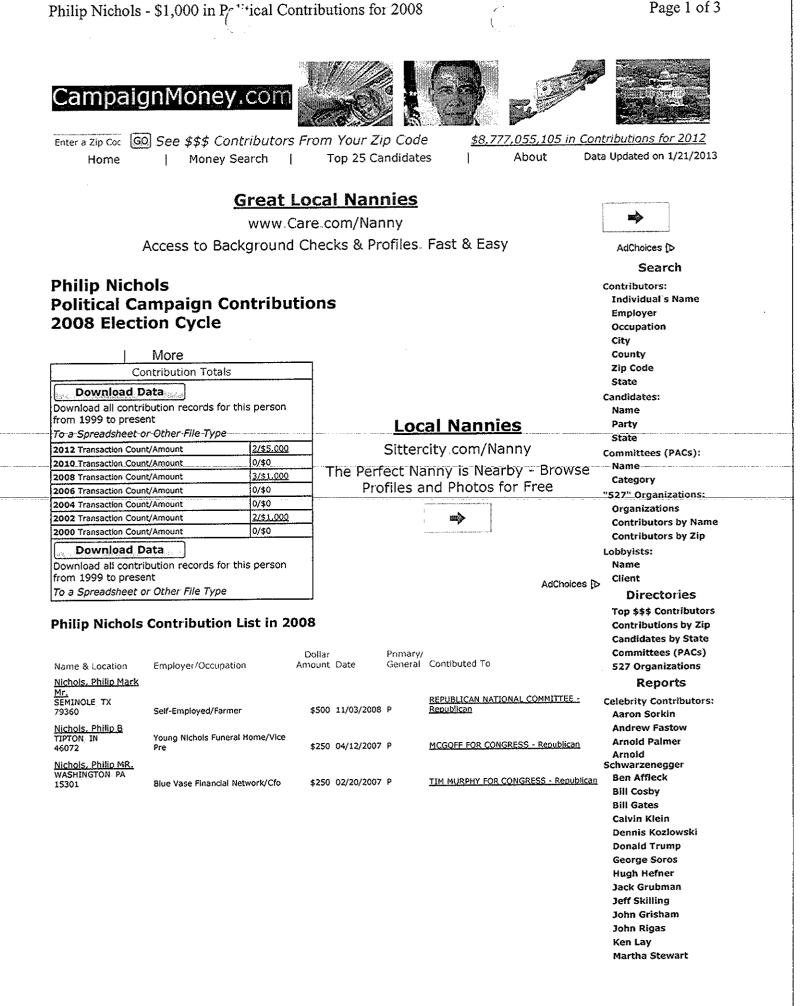
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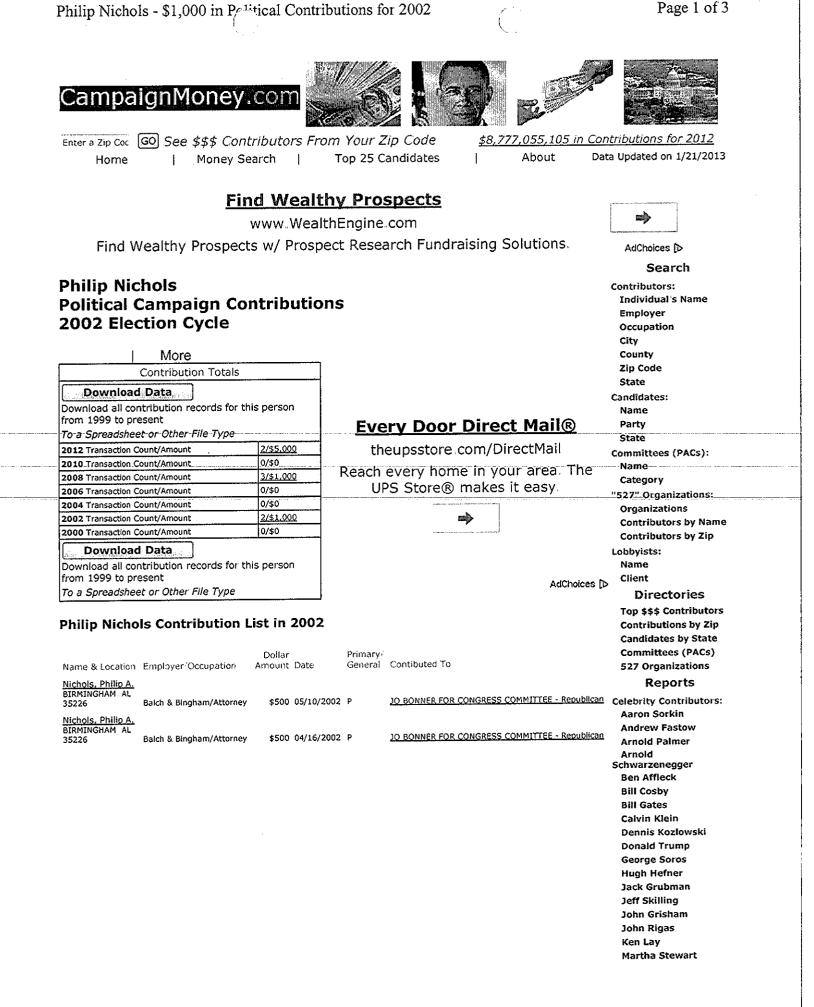
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February 4, 2013

Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist Florida Elections Commission 107 W. Gaines St. – Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050

RE: Philip Scott Nichols OLN: 0 Case Number: FEC 12-048

Dear Ms Hinson:

Per your emailed request received by the Department of Drivers Services, please find our certified driving history with address for Philip Scott Nichols.

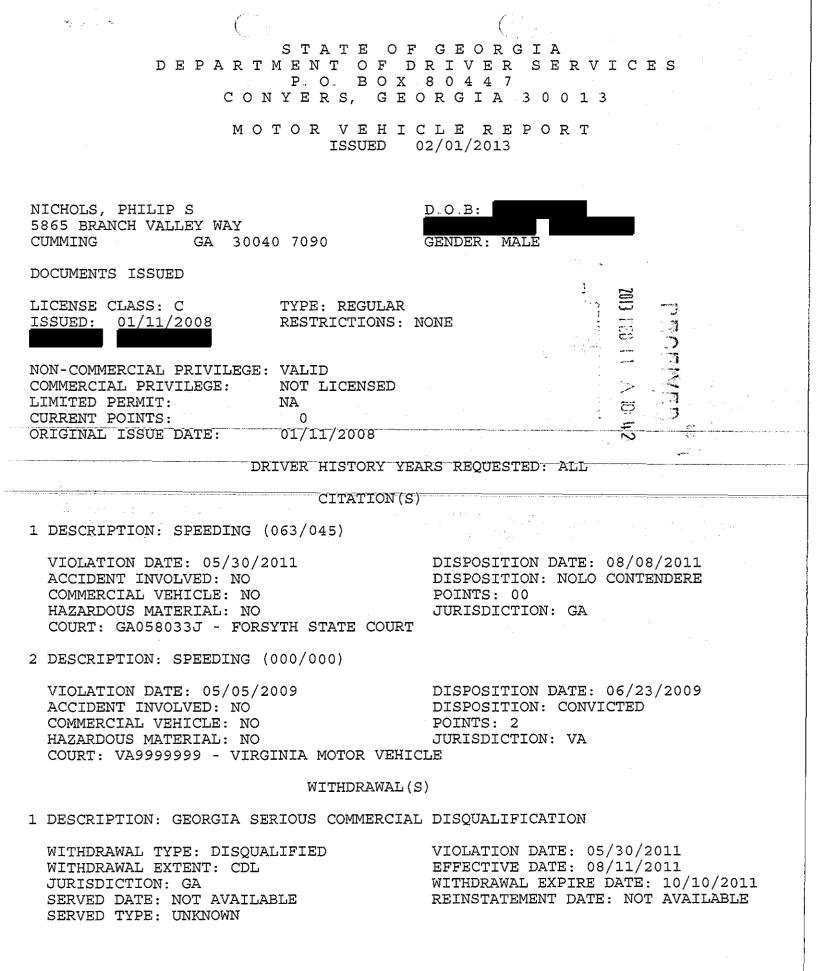
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Please feel free to contact our office (678-413-8765) if any additional information is needed

Sincerely ans Mary Williams

Office Clerk/Legal Department

Enclosure:



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OFFICIAL NOTICE

SHELIA DONNELLE MACK 1701 MARIE WAY LAWRENCEVILLE, GA 30043-5722 D.O.B. LIC. NO. SUSPENSION DATE: 04/20/2006 ACCIDENT DATE: 09/18/2002 JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$4,481.00

YOU ARE HEREBY officially notified that your driver's license will be suspended under the Georgia Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, 40-9-61, based on your failure to satisfy the judgment rendered against you as a result of the above accident

TO AVOID SUSPENSION, you must contact the claimant or attorney listed below, obtain a notarized general or conditional release and submit to this office. On or after the effective date of suspension, a \$25 00 reinstatement fee will be required. NO PERSONAL CHECKS ACCEPTED.

CLAIMANT: TRAVELERS PROPERTY CONTACT: MARY A MILLER 6789669792 CLAIM #: 05C04864

IF YOU FAIL TO COMPLY with the provisions above, you must surrender your driver's license to the Dept. of Driver Services at the above address. THE SUSPENSION WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL YOU HAVE MET ALL REINSTATEMENT REQUIREMENTS.

HEARING

Any person whose driver's license, permit, or driving privilege is CANCELED, REVOKED, SUSPENDED, or DENIED is entitled to a hearing. The hearing will be for the purpose of determining whether the Dept. of Driver Services has acted according to law in taking this action. A request for a hearing must be in writing within ten (10) days of the date of the REVOCATION/SUSPENSION ORDER. A hearing will not postpone the scheduled date of your CANCELLATION, REVOCATION, SUSPENSION or DENIAL. If a hearing is granted, it will be held in accordance with GA. Admin. Comp. Ch. 375-3-3-04

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Director, Driver Services Division

***** THIS CONCLUDES INFORMATION IN THE RECORDS FOR THIS DRIVER. *****

THIS RECORD IS FROM THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF DRIVER SERVICES COMPUTER FILES AND IS FOR OFFICIAL COURT OR LAW ENFORCEMENT USE ONLY.

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AS AN OFFICIAL CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS FOR THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF DRIVER SERVICES I CERTIFY THIS TO BE A DULY AUTHENTICATED COPY OF THE RECORD FROM COMPUTER FILES OF THE DEPARTMENT. AS SUCH THEY ARE ADMISSIBLE AS EVIDENCE IN ANY CIVIL OR CRIMINAL PROCEEDING. AS PRESCRIBED BY GA LAW 40-5-2 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA ANNOTATED.

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AFFIDAVIT OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES Case Number: FEC 12-048

STATE OF FLORIDA County of Leon

Helen Hinson, being duly sworn, says:

1. This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge

2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.

I am an investigator employed by the Florida Elections Commission who was assigned to conduct a financial investigation In Re: Philip Nichols, FEC 12-048. Pursuant to Section 106.265, Florida Statutes, I have taken the following steps to determine the Respondent's financial resources.

4 On January 28, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records of the Division of Corporations' website to determine whether Respondent was listed as an officer and/or registered agent for any *active* Florida Corporation; there is no record of Respondent listed as an officer and/or registered agent for any *active* Florida Corporation.

5 On January 28, 2013, I conducted a search of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation's website for a professional or business license held by Respondent; there was no match found

6. On January 28, 2013, I conducted a search of the Florida Department of Financial Services' website for any active licenses held by Respondent; as of that date there are no agents with Respondent's name.

7 On January 28, 2013, I conducted a search of the Florida Department of Health's website for active licenses held by Respondent; as of that date there are no healthcare practioner licenses held by Respondent.

8. On January 28, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records at the Lee County, Florida Property Appraiser's website. Based upon the website, Respondent currently owns no property in Lee County

9. On January 28, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records of the Georgia Secretary of State, Corporations Division Based upon their records, Respondent has two active Georgia For-Profit Limited Liability Companies: Whitestar Strategies LLC, effective on January 31, 2011; and Pegasus Strategies L L C, effective January 10, 2012. (Note that Respondent and Whitestar Strategies LLC were hired by a casino developer to obtain petition signatures to place a gaming referendum on the November 2012 general election ballot in Lee County, Florida)

10. On February 5, 2013, I requested vehicle records from the Georgia Department of Revenue. Based upon their records, the following vehicles are registered to Respondent: 2011

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Honda Accord EX-L Coupe; 2009 Honda Accord EX-L Coupe; and 2004 Nissan Xterra The Kelley Blue Book values for these vehicles are \$19,976; \$15,236; and \$5,025, respectively.

11. On February 6, 2013, I conducted a search of the on-line records at the Forsyth County, Georgia Board of Tax Assessor's website. Based upon the website, Respondent currently owns no property in Forsyth County—his place of residence.

12 On February 7, 2013, I reviewed the online vessel registration database for Forsyth County, Georgia Based upon their records, Respondent has no boat registered.

13 On February 7, 2013, I verified by telephone with staff at the Florida Lottery that Respondent is not identified as a Florida Lottery winner in their database.

I SWEAR OR AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

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Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this _____

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 12-048

Respondent: Philip Nichols, Treasurer for Our Fair Share For Florida (PC)

Complainant: Division of Elections

1 **Date and time:** 05/24/12; 11:40 a.m.

Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: R phoned, identified himself and explained that the political committee's registered agent has informed him of the complaint and my investigation He declared that the report has been filed (73 days late); however, due to their relocating their offices, needing the password and pin reset, and not readily having access to a fax machine for receipt of his password and pin (reset), they were unable to file timely the report electronically. R explained that a fax machine was required to receive timely from the Division the password and pin (reset).

R noted they sent a registered letter to the filing officer with their new mailing address, a paper copy of the report and followed up with the electronic filing He declared they received-only one-\$500-contribution-during the reporting period in question and that is reflected in the report. Respondent stated that he travels extensively for his job and is best reached at this cell number or by email: phil@whitestarstrategies.com

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

2 Date and time: 05/29/12; 12:30 p m. Name: Trish, Lee County Elections

Phone #: 239-533-8683

Summary: I phoned and requested to speak with someone familiar with local political committees—Bernie or someone else; Trish explained that would be either Joanne or Bernie and Bernie has been busy today (calls go straight to her voice-mail) and Joanne is out to lunch but is expected back at any moment Trish asked if I would like to be transferred to Joann's voice-mail and I said that I would. I reached Joann's voice-mail and left message requesting that she return my call regarding local political committee Our Fair Share for Lee County **Memo to File?** No

Entered by: HH

3. **Date and time:** 05/29/12; 2:20 p m

Name: Joanne, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-8683

Summary: I phoned and she explained that she forwarded my voice-mail to Bernie since she has a greater wealth of knowledge regarding "PACs" She thought I had called while she was away on leave/vacation; she said that information is available on their website. I explained that I had looked for the information but it was not on their website. While we were speaking Joanne checked their website and confirmed that she did not find it on the website either. Joanne added that she did not wish to push me off on Bernie and make me feel rushed, but she is leaving soon for a doctor's appointment; she added that Bernie is currently out to lunch and she/Joanne will leave a message for Bernie saying that I had called again

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

4 Date and time: 05/29/12; 3:01 p.m
Name: Ms Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections
Phone #: UNK
Summary: She returned my call and reached my voice-mail; she provided her direct telephone number: PH: 239-533-6304
Memo to File? No
Entered by: HH

5 Date and time: 05/29/12; 3:54 p.m.
 Name: Ms Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections
 Phone #: 239-533-6304
 Summary: I phoned and reached her voice-mail; I explained that I was sorry we're
 playing phone tag but requested that she return my call
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH

6 Date and time: 05/29/12; 4:40 p.m. Name: Ms Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-6304 Summary: L phoned and asked if she had provided

Summary: I phoned and asked if she had provided any handbooks or election law related materials to chair/treasurer (Respondent) Phil Nichols; she responded that she had not Ms. Feliciano explained that her contact with (Respondent) Mr. Nichols was regarding their first and second petition initiatives to change the county charter by amendment She emailed to me all documents in her two files for the PC; I confirmed receipt of her emails and attachments Ms Feliciano confirmed Respondent's cell phone number and email address as the same that I have on file.

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

7. **Date and time:** 05/30/12; 10:01 a m.

Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols

Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: I phoned R and informed him that I was sending by email the questionnaire I requested that he call me if he does not receive it within the next 10 minutes. I encouraged Respondent to respond in writing and informed him what to expect regarding timelines, my Report of Investigation, staff's recommendation and opportunities for him to respond in writing, and quarterly meetings of the Commission

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

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8. **Date and time:** 06/11/12; 10:20 a.m. Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: I phoned Respondent, identified myself and informed him that I was completing my Report of Investigation (ROI) and wished to conduct a final interview by telephone and give him an opportunity to respond to the information gathered during the course of the investigation concerning the allegations made in the complaint. I asked Respondent if he had read the *Political Committee Handbook*; he said that he reviewed it briefly and acknowledged that he should have read it more thoroughly.

I again informed Respondent that he'll receive a copy of my ROI, staff's recommendation and will have an opportunity to respond in writing. I encouraged Respondent to respond in writing to my ROI and staff's recommendation I informed him that he would receive a notice of hearing from the Agency Clerk and he may wish to attend the Commission's meeting in Tallahassee I noted that was not permitted to offer any new evidence but may respond to the Commission's queries.

Respondent wondered why all this fuss over a \$125.00 fine; I informed him that the filing officer imposed the \$125.00 fine for the late filing of his 2011 Q4 Report, but the Commission may impose a fine in the instant case in an amount up to \$1,000.00 for each violation of Section 106.07(1), F S.

Respondent again declared that the report has been filed (73 days late); however, due to their relocating their offices, needing the password and pin reset, and not readily having access to a fax machine for receipt of his pin (reset) and password, the Committee was unable to file timely the report electronically. He declared that Division staff would not provide the password and pin over the phone and required a fax number to forward the information delaying his receipt of the password and pin (reset).

Respondent queried, "What about the registered letter." He believed that the Division would "wave [sic] any fees or fines associated with this filing"—as requested in the Committee's "registered letter" to the Division; I noted that it appears that he did not file an appeal with the Commission I also noted that he did not complete and return my affidavit-questionnaire. I directed Respondent to the Commission's website; the tab labeled "About"; and the drop-down, "Common Violations and Appeals."

I queried why Respondent did not have his password and pin; he declared that he "lost it." I <u>encouraged</u> Respondent to protect his password and pin number so that he may timely file his reports and to start each report early in the reporting period, and update contributions and/or expenditures as needed rather than waiting until the day the report was due to start the report I also admonished Respondent to timely file electronically his next report (2012 F1 Report) with the Division of Elections due in early July 2012—July 13th I suggested he call the Help Desk and Division staff for assistance if needed I also suggested that Respondent keep the Division of Elections informed of any changes in officers, and contact information so he may receive timely notices, etc. (Note that I

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provided a copy of the <u>2012 Calendar of Reporting Dates</u> and a link to the Divisions' publication by email for his information after our telephone conversation this morning.) **Memo to File?** No **Entered by:** HH

Date and time: 06/14/12; 1:20 p.m.
 Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols
 Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: I phoned R and explained that I completed the ROI, I later amended it due to a typographical (scrivener's) error, all documents were mailed to him and this case should be on the agenda for the Commission's August meeting I informed R if he wishes to file a response to the Amended ROI, he should submit his response to this office in writing by June 25, 2012 I explained to R that legal staff will complete a staff recommendation and his responses, if submitted, to my Amended ROI and legal staff's SR will be available to the Commission. I informed R that it was important that he let Commission staff know of any change in his contact information since documents related to this case will be mailed to him at the address we have on file. I asked R if he wished me to email the Amended ROI or did he wish to wait for mail delivery; R requested that I email the Amended ROI to him.

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

10 Date and time: 01/28/13; 9:55 a.m.
 Name: Allen Taylor, the DOE
 Phone #: 850-245-6213
 Summary: I phoned and asked him to check registration information for Respondent; he had no records available
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH

- Date and time: 01/28/13; 3:58 p.m.
 Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols
 Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)
 Summary: I phoned, reached his voice-mail, identified myself, provided my contact information, and requested that he return my call regarding the instant case; I again provided my contact information
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH
- 12 **Date and time:** 01/29/13; 3:00 p m

Name: Bernie Feliciano, Qualifying Officer, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-8683 Summary: I phoned and requested to speak with Bernie; I asked if she had updated

information regarding Respondent and Our Fair Share for Lee County a/k/a Our Fair Share for Florida—Lee County Charter Amendment for casino gambling Bernie said she had over 60 emails regarding Respondent's petition drive; however, she will select three or four to send me. She noted that Respondent did not meet the required 24,753 signatures; he submitted petitions but only 20,132 valid signatures were received. Bernie also noted that Respondent turned in all petitions on the final day (February 14, 2012) they could be accepted so there was no opportunity for Respondent to obtain additional signatures. She provided Respondent's email address: <u>phil@whitestarstrategies.com</u> I noted this was the same email address I had on file for Respondent Bernie believes that Respondent may have been working with others in addition to Champion Development Corp in Florida regarding casino gambling ballot initiatives.

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

13. **Date and time:** 01/29/13; 4:31 p.m.

Name: Sharon P. Bates, Investigative Assistant, Georgia Department of Driver Services, Investigations

Phone #: 678-413-8766

Summary: I phoned the Georgia Department of Driver Services at PH: 404-657-9300, maneuvered through their phone tree, held for a long time, and when a person came on the line I asked how I could request/obtain driver license information for a Georgia resident I was transferred to Investigations at the number provided above Sharon Bates said that she'll email their form to me and I may re-use the form each time I have a request; I provided my email address I also asked how I could obtain motor vehicle information from the Georgia Department of Revenue; she said I should contact by phone the Georgia Department of Revenue, Law Enforcement Assistance at PH: 404-417-2257 Memo to File? No

Entered by: HH

- 14. Date and time: 01/31/13; 11:58 a.m.
 Name: Georgia Department of Revenue, Law Enforcement Assistance
 Phone #: 404-417-2257
 Summary: I phoned and reached their voice-mail; I identified myself, provided my contact information, requested they return my call and I again provided my contact information.
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH
- 15. Date and time: 01/31/13; 1:12 p m.
 Name: Kristi, Georgia Department of Driver Services; Conyers, GA
 Phone #: 678-413-8766
 Summary: She phoned, asked if we had sworn officers with arrest powers; I said we did not. She said she checked with her supervisor and will forward my request to Mary Williams, Legal Department at PH: 678-413-8765
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH
- Date and time: 01/31/13; 2:15 p m
 Name: Glen Sharpe, Auto Crimes Unit, GA Department of Revenue Phone #: 404-417-2257

Summary: He returned my call—general voice-mail left today. He identified himself by name and unit, and provided his contact information. Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

- 17. Date and time: 01/31/13; 2:50 p m.
 Name: Glen Sharpe, Auto Crimes Unit, GA Department of Revenue Phone #: 404-4171-2329
 Summary: I phoned, identified myself and requested information; he said he'll have to contact his legal office and a subpoena may be required. He explained, "I'll shoot you an email here in awhile." He requested my email address since his was "way too complicated." I provided my email address.
 Memo to File? No Entered by: HH
- 18. **Date and time:** 01/31/13; 3:38 p.m.

Name: Glen Sharpe, Supervisory Special Agent, Auto Crimes Unit, GA Department of Revenue

Phone #: 404-417-2329

Summary: I phoned and he confirmed that he'd accept conditional service of subpoena by email to expedite my receipt of records, but requested subpoena to be sent to the GA Department of Revenue, ATTN: Jud Seymour, 1800 Century Blvd, Atlanta, GA 30345 Memo to File? No

Entered by: HH

19. **Date and time:** 02/05/13; 9:35 a m.

Name: Glen Sharpe, Supervisory Special Agent, Auto Crimes Unit, GA Department of Revenue

Phone #: 404-417-2329

Summary: I phoned, reached his voice-mail; I identified myself, and explained that I had sent the subpoena to him by email as we discussed last week and will send by regular mail today to ATTN: Jud Seymour, Communications Director, Georgia Department of Revenue

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

20. Date and time: 02/07/13; 9:45 a m.

Name: Nita Kelley, Claims Processing, Florida Lottery Phone #: 850-487-7707

Summary: I phoned and asked to speak with "Liddy" Linton; I was informed that she retired effective February 1, 2013. I identified myself, asked Ms. Kelley if she could assist me regarding my query, and Ms. Kelley said that Respondent Philip Nichols was not a Florida lottery winner.

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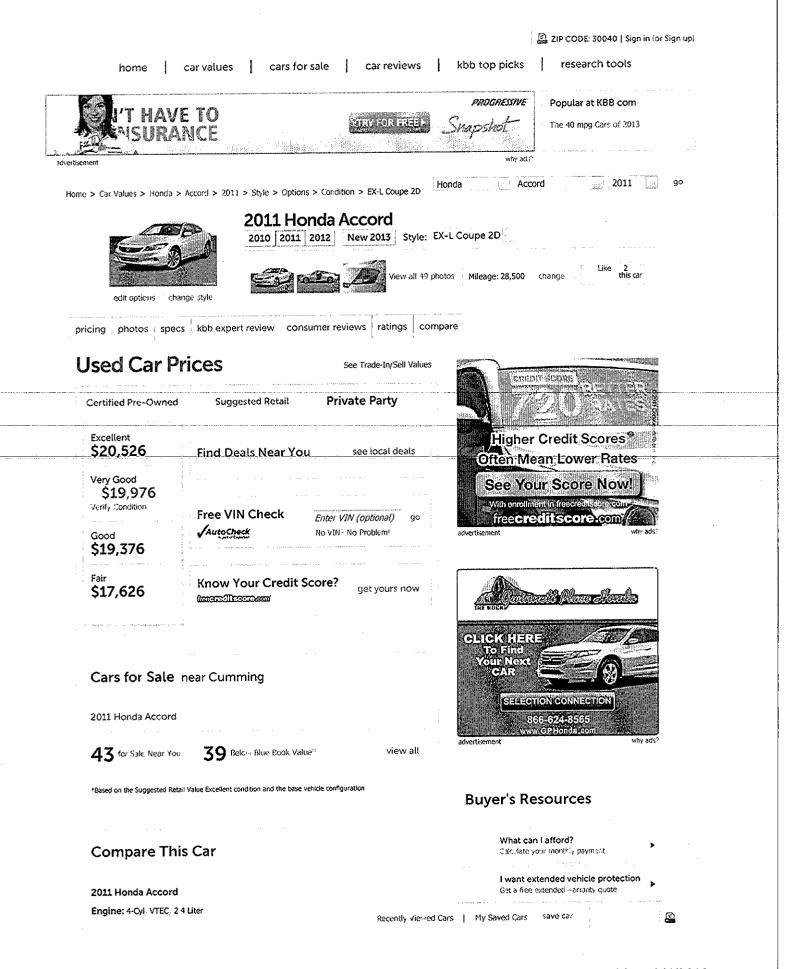
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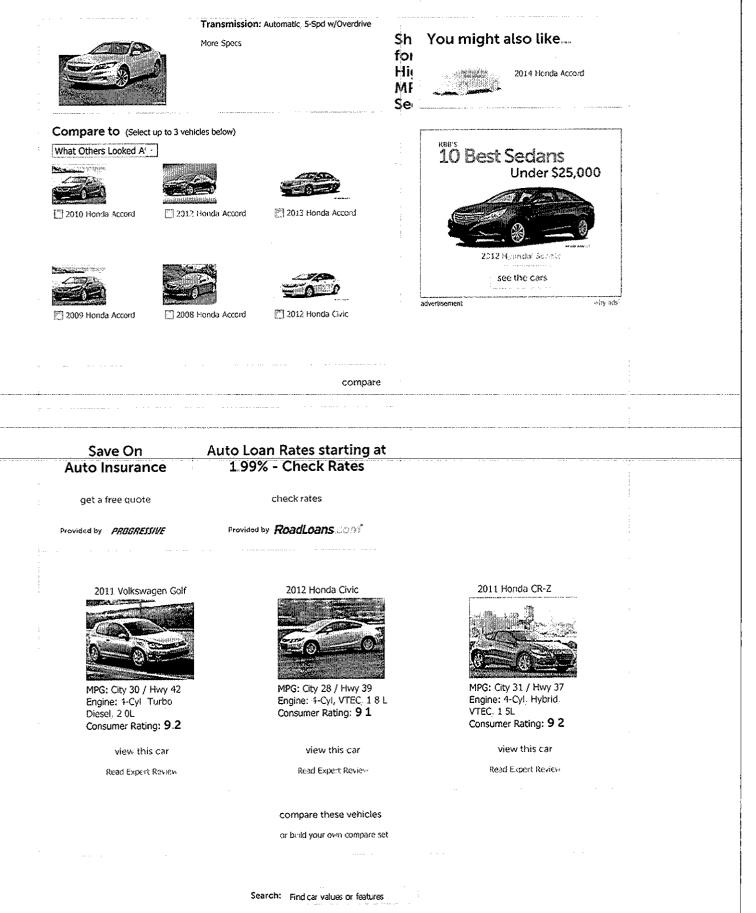
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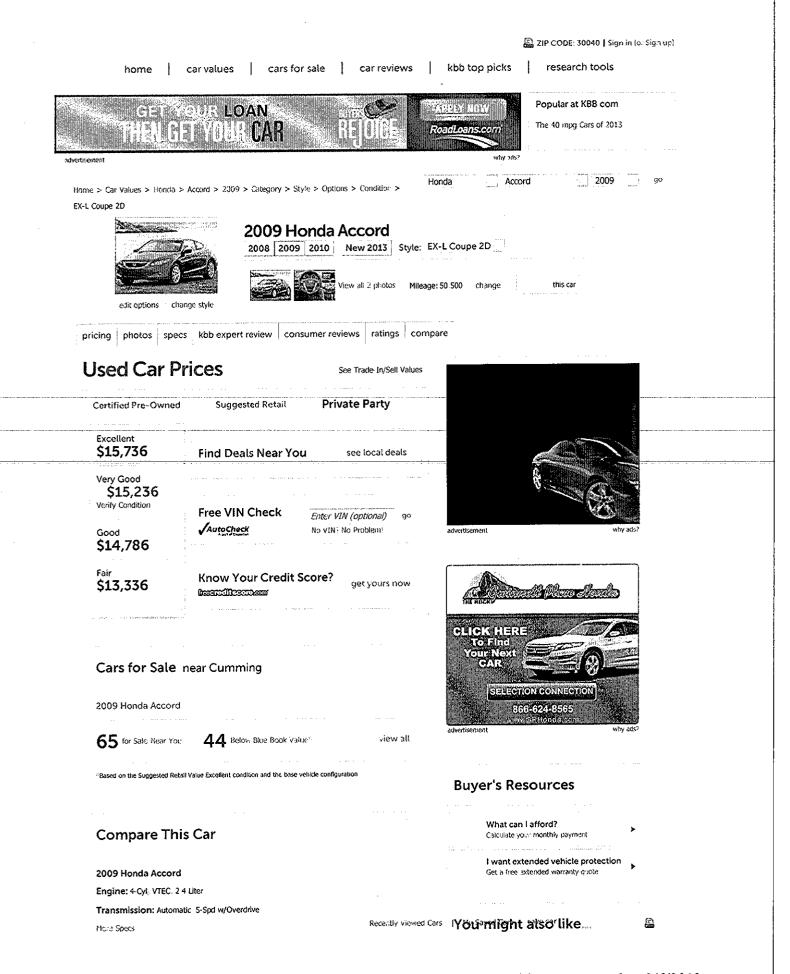
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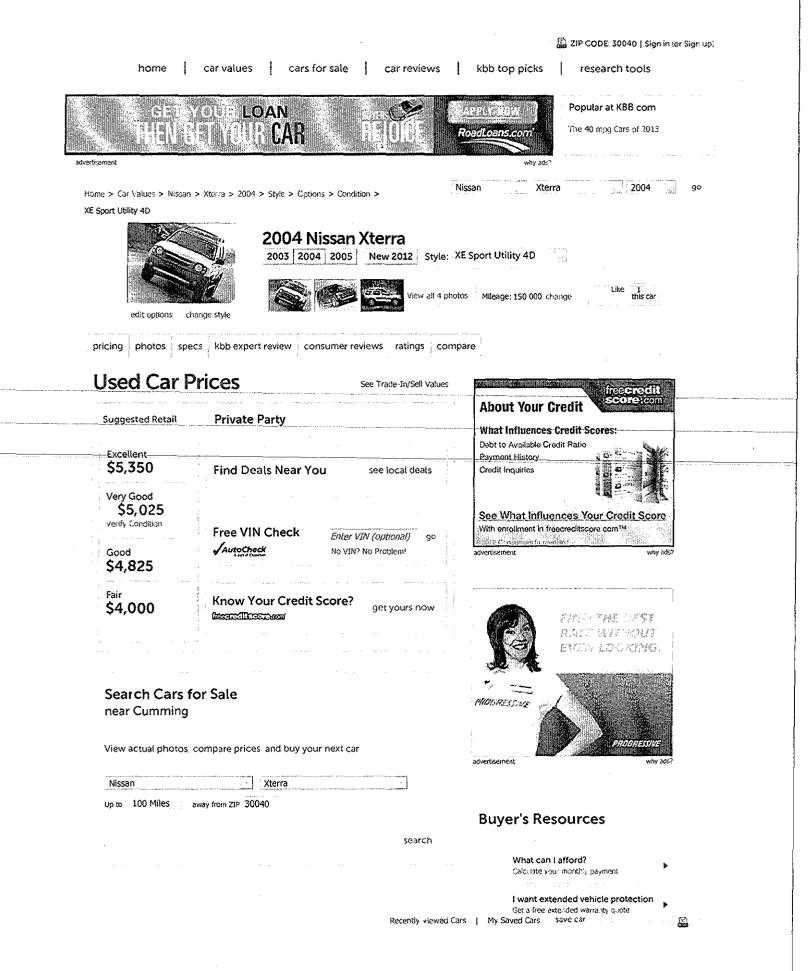
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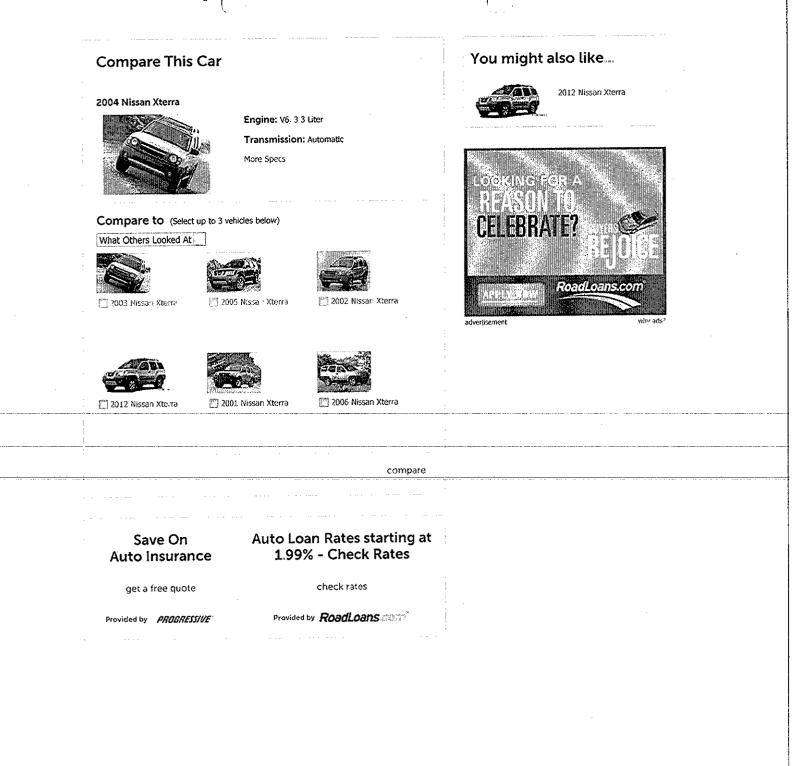
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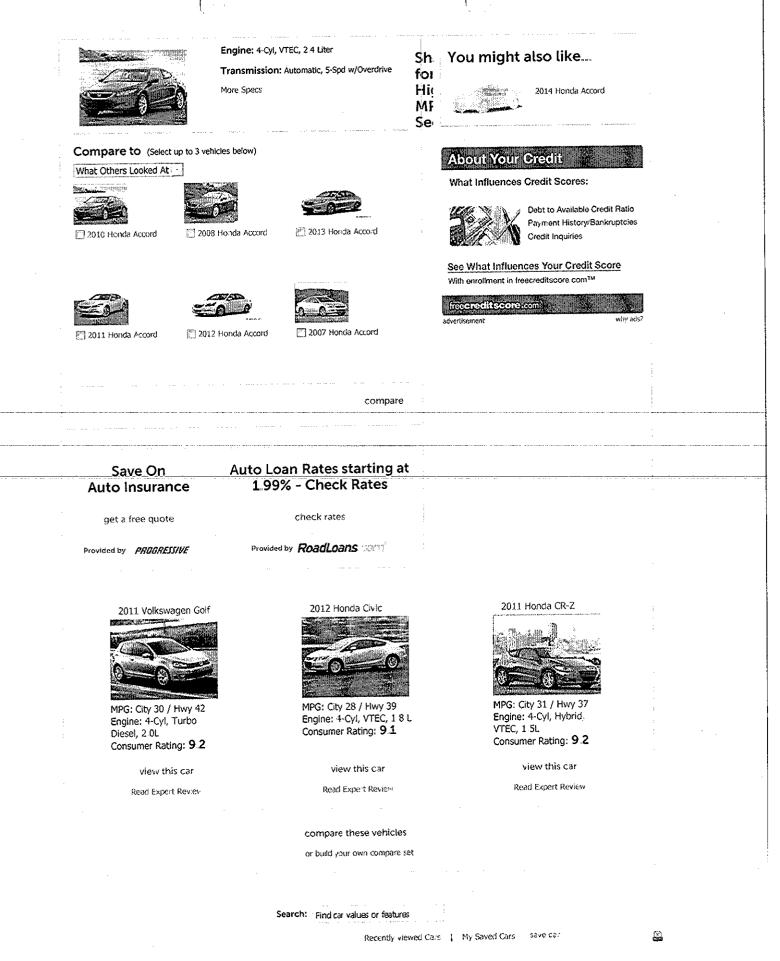
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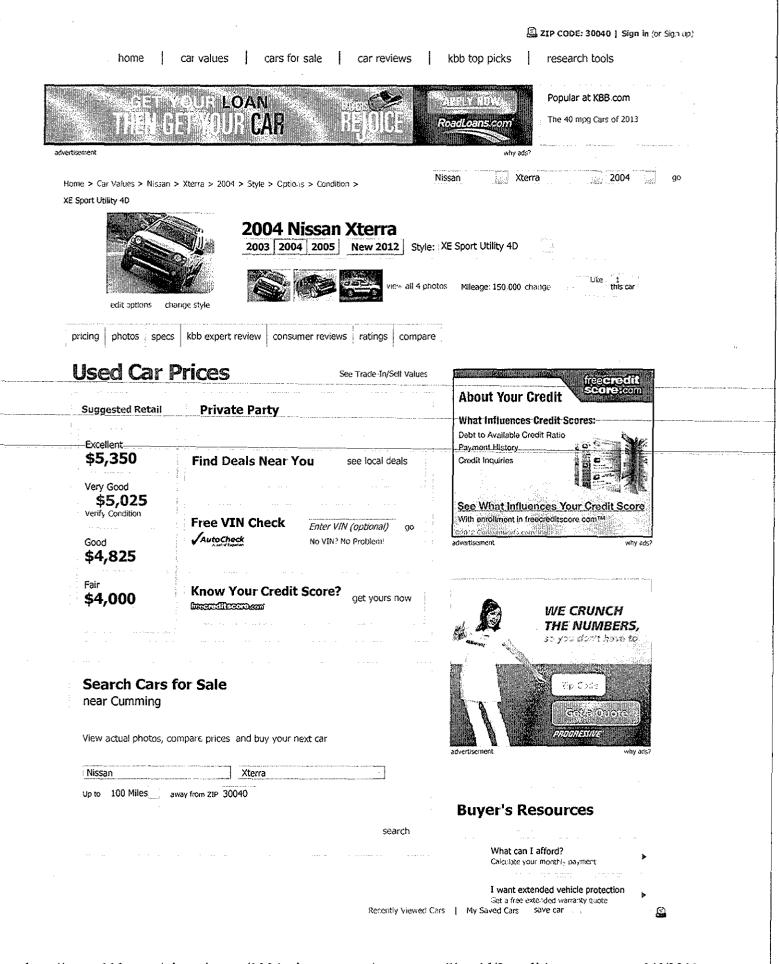
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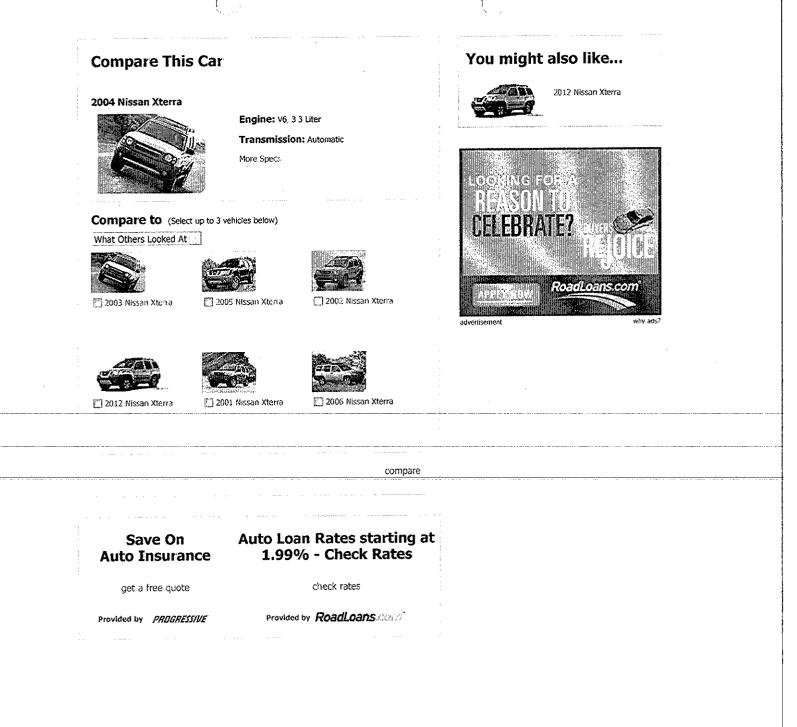
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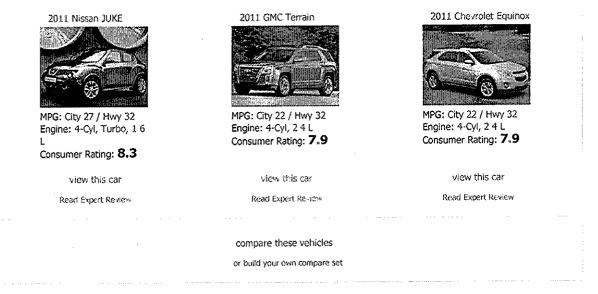


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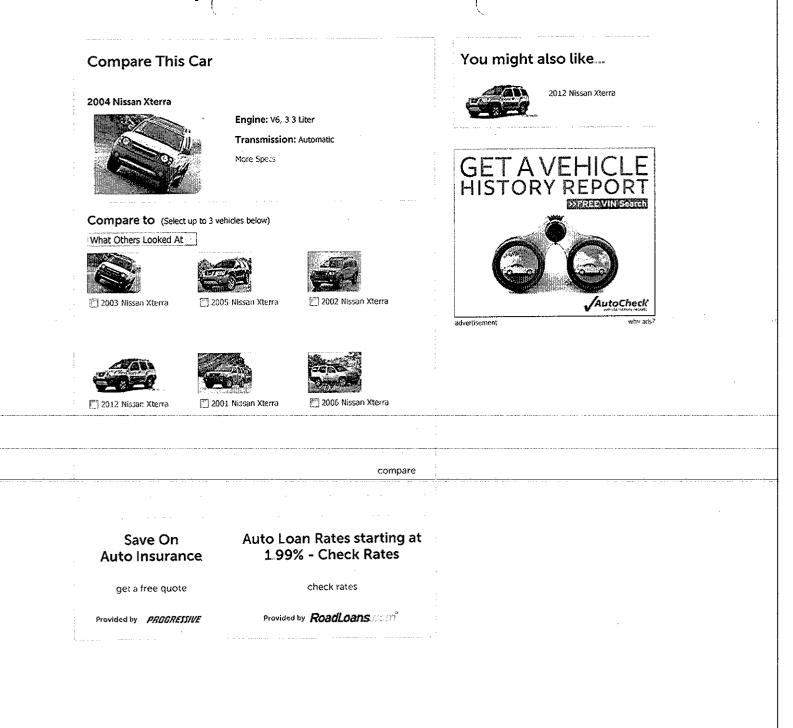
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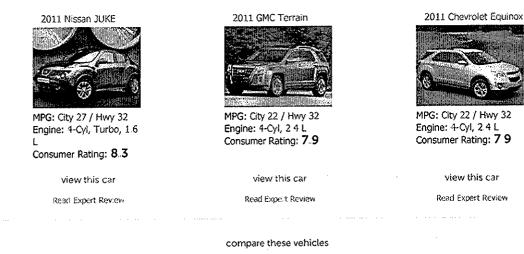
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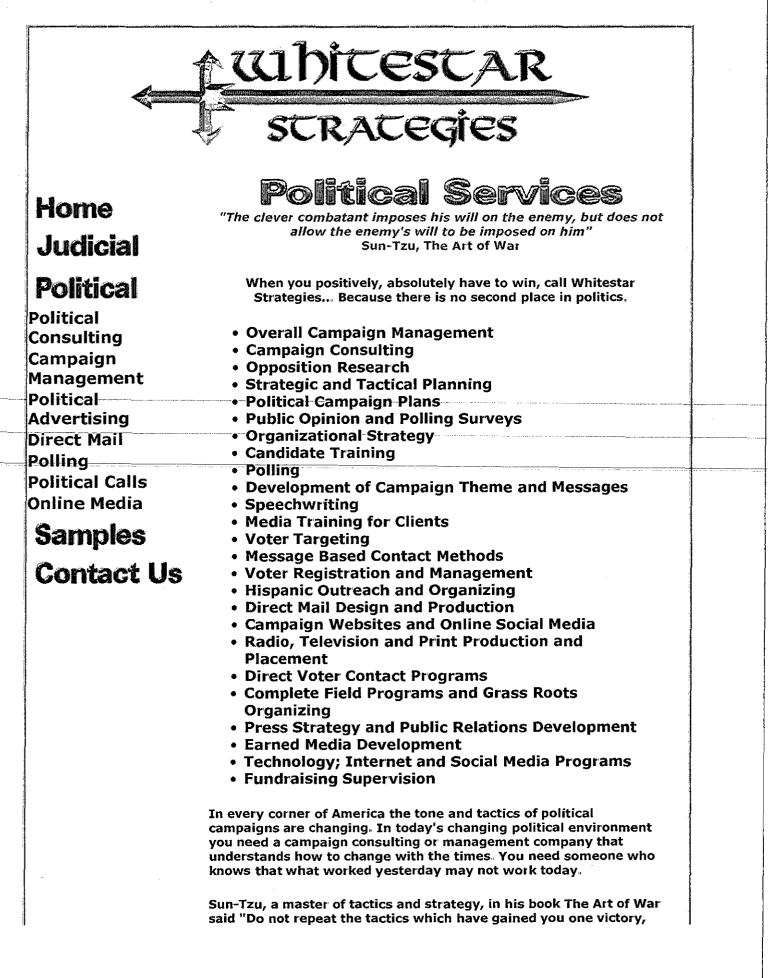
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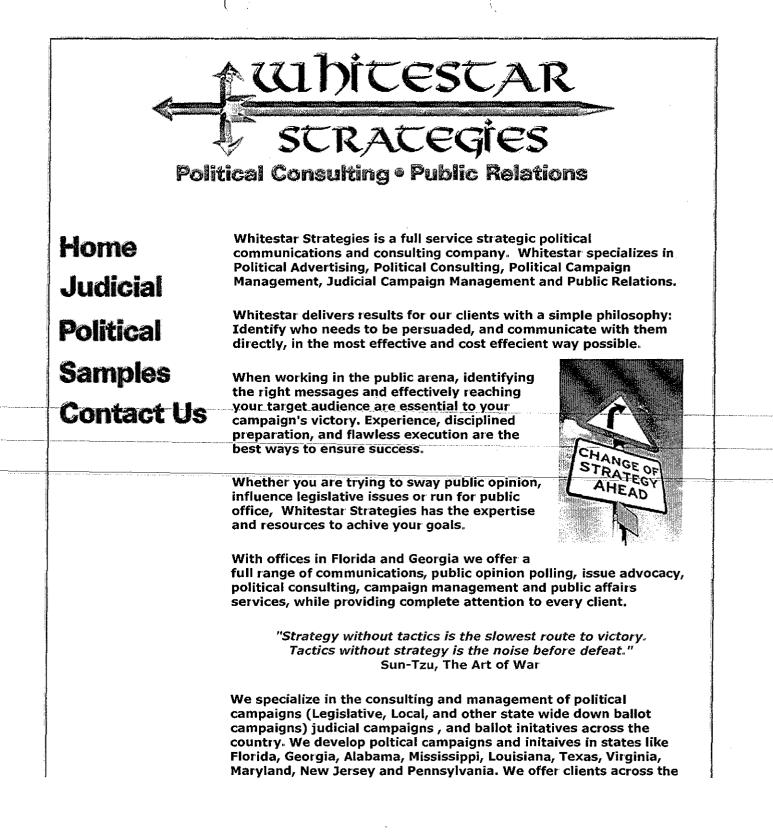
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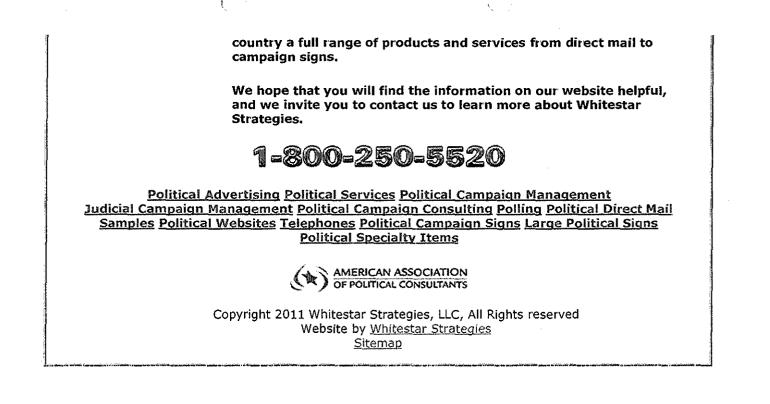


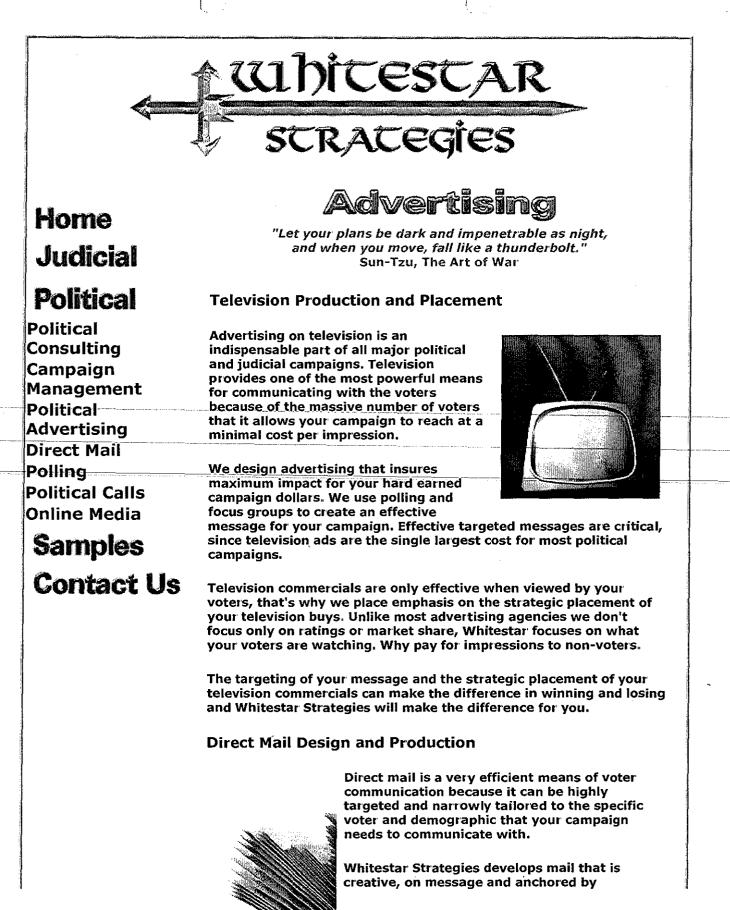
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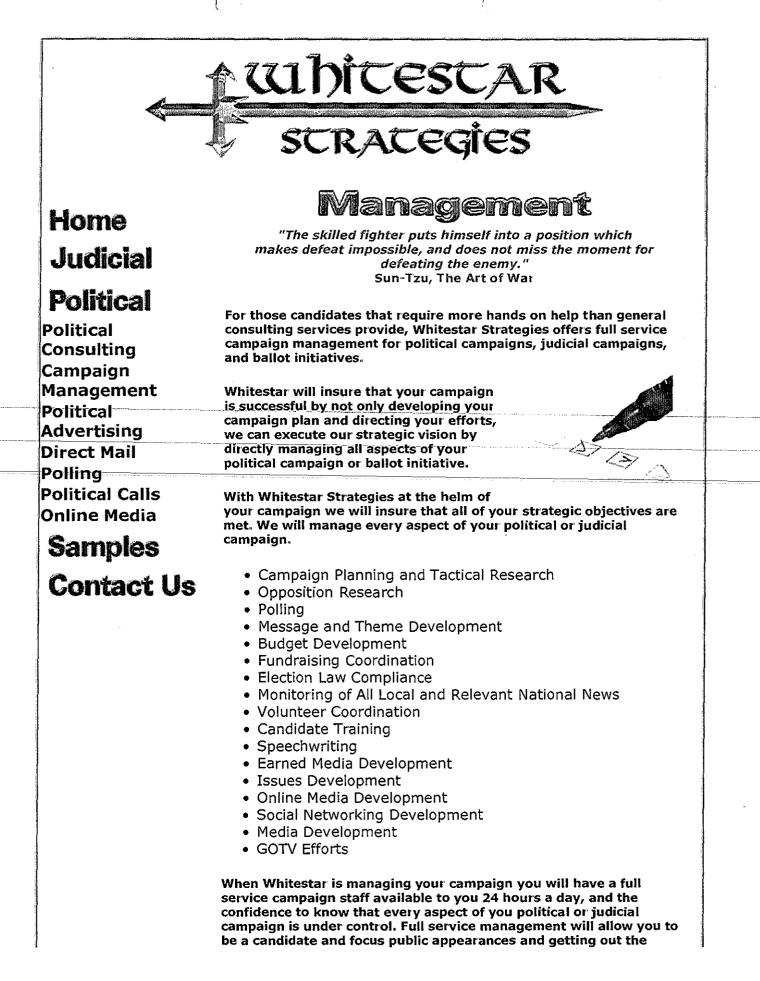
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Judicial campaigns are very different from other political campaigns in the most states. Not only are judicial campaigns governed by the same laws as other campaigns for conduct and finance, in Florida they are governed by Cannon 7 of the Code of Judicial Conduct and the JQC. Most states have similar governing bodies and rules. Your campaign needs a consultant or manager that understands

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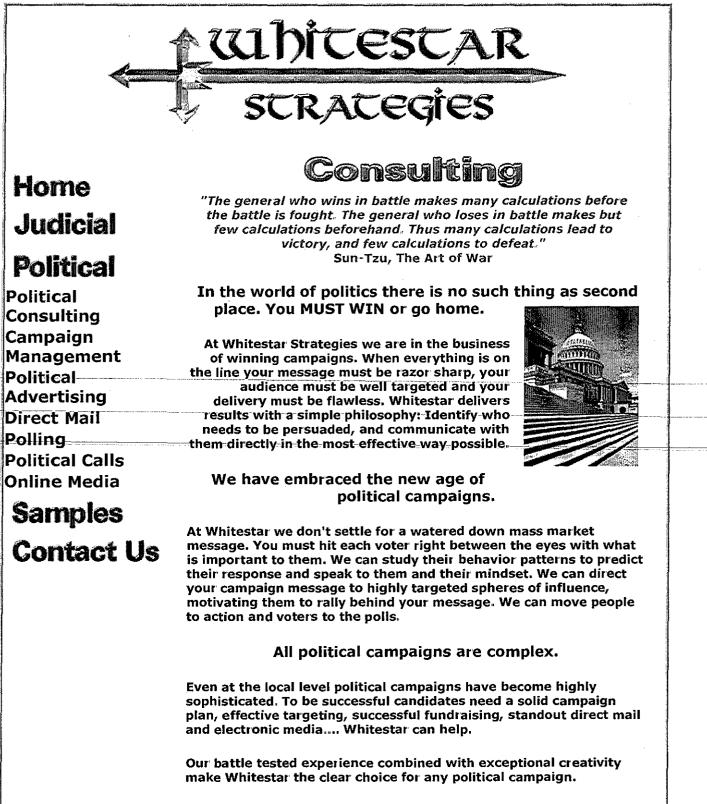
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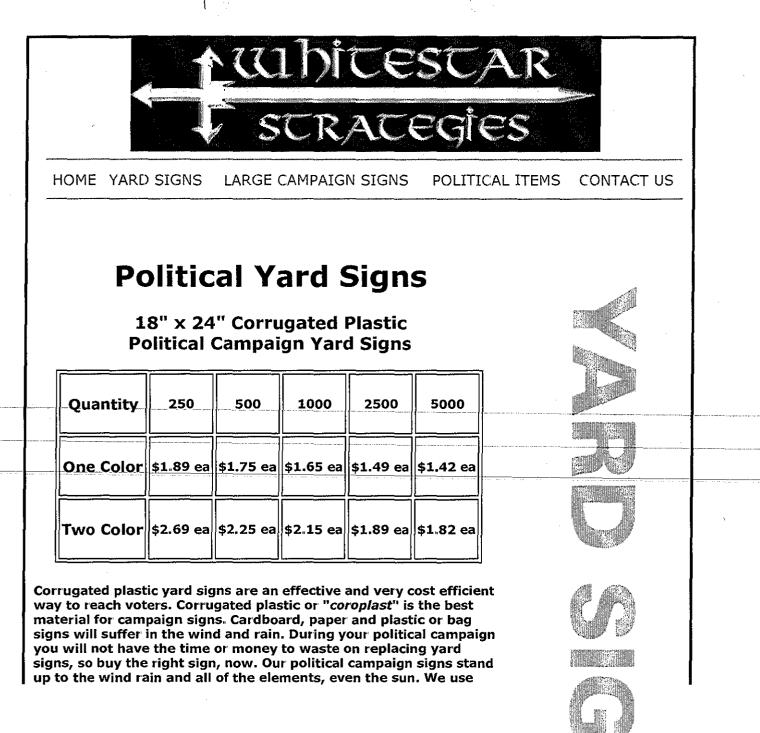
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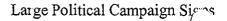
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One Color	\$243	\$306	\$402	\$493	\$715
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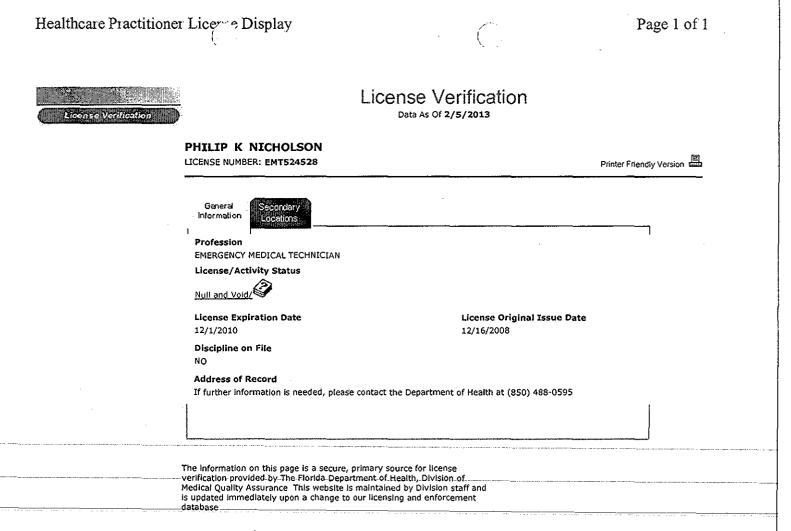
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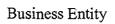
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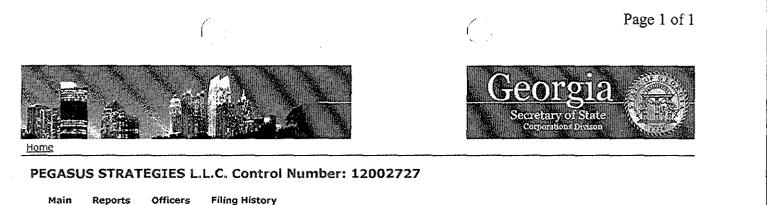
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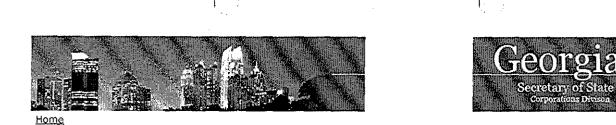


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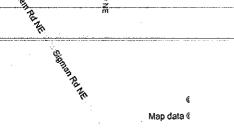
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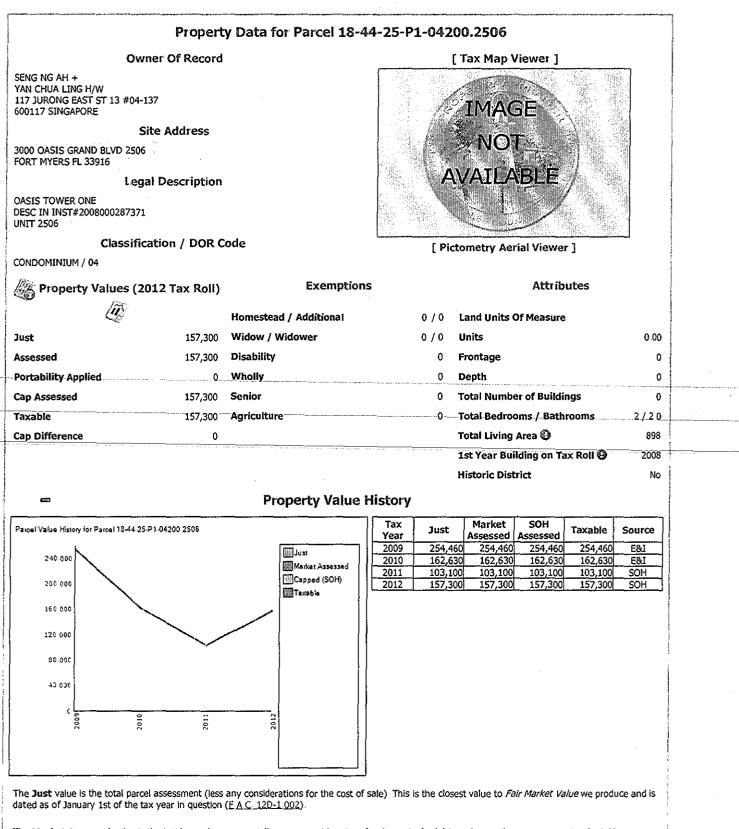
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Bringing Jobs Back to Lee County

August 2011 unemployment for Lee County is 11 5% We cannot wait any longer for Washington or Tallahassee to create jobs for Lee County

We must take back our own future.

Tallahassee will most likely take up the issue of Destination Resorts in the next legislative session and we must tell them that they cannot give all of the jobs and revenue to Miami or just South Florida. The people of Lee County deserve a Destination Resort. We deserve the construction and full time jobs that a resort like this would create here.

We must make our voices heard today and let them know that they cannot give away our future.

The Florida Legislature is likely to approve Destination Resorts during next years – legislative session that begins in January We MUST send the legislature and our representatives a message now!

We must tell them that Lee County deserves the jobs and revenue that a Destination Resort will bring just as much as South Florida Send this message now by signing and returning the petition today. Your signed petition will put this on the 2012 election and give Lee County voters the chance to have our voices heard.

Your signature will teil Tallahassee that they cannot ignore Lee County Let's take back Lee County's future and make it a brighter one Let's put Lee County back to work! Sign and return the pathton today

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County Charter Amendment to Approve Gaming in Lee County

Ballot Summary:

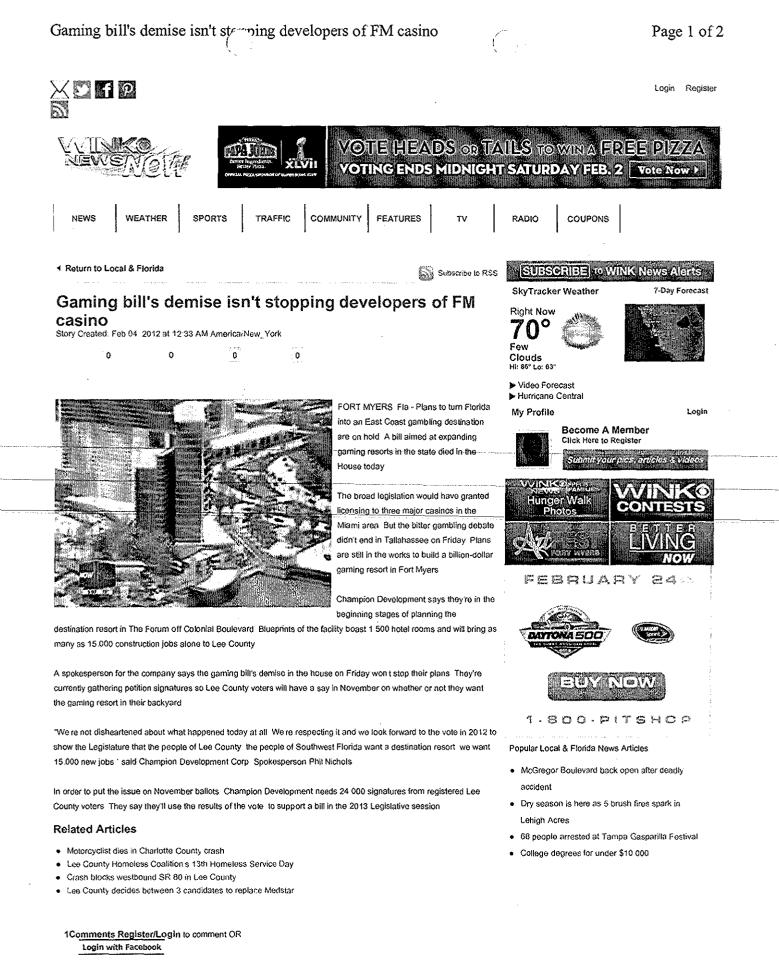
A proposed amendment to the Lee County Charter that would approve of gaming in a limited area at The Forum at Ft. Myers, should the State of Florida expand gaming in Florida through constitutional or legislative action. A 1% county tax shall be assessed on gaming revenue and the taxes would go to the General Revenue Fund of Lee County.

Full Text of Proposed Amendment:

Gaming, as authorized by the State of Florida, including but not limited to, slot machines, video games of chance and table games will be authorized on the 57 acre parcel of land bordered by the Interstate 75 right of way to the west, the future Hanson Street right of way to the north, the existing Champion Ring Road right of way to the east and existing preserve and lake to the south, located within The Forum at Fort Myers, in Lee County Florida, subject to the restrictions of the State of Florida and subject to State taxes and a one percent Lee County tax on all slot machine and gaming revenues which must be used to supplement general revenue of Lee County. This Amendment shall be effective immediately.

I, the undersigned, a duly registered elector in Lee County, Florida, on the date this petition was signed, do hereby petition for a referendum on the adoption of an amendment to the Charter of Lee County as provided in Section 4 1(A) of the Lee County Charter, having the form and effect as stated above.

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The resorts are not going to give up. Why should they? They have already invested heavily in bringing commerce to this state. There is already plenty of gambling in our state. The problem remains that special interest groups are paying off the politician to try to stop anything new from being built as they fear the competition. Because this posture is ultimately bad for the state and because most people want reform, the next thing to go will be the corrupt politicians who held up this bill. They will be voted out, but it's a shame they delayed helping our state achieve recovery by nearly a whole year

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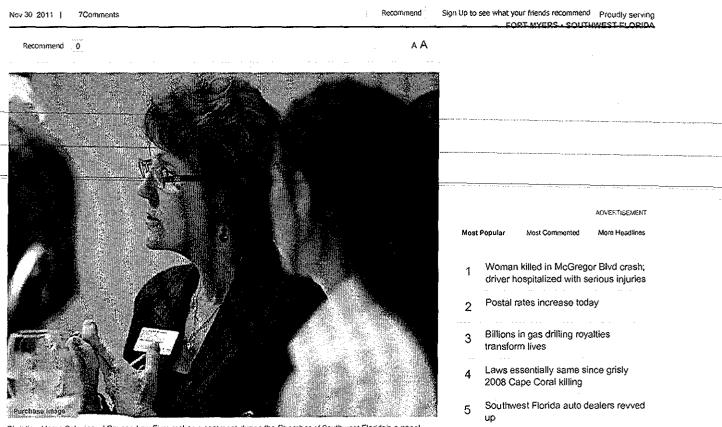
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Panel weighs future of gambling in Lee

Its consensus: More casinos are likely coming to Florida, and this region needs to begin preparing in a responsible way.



Christina Harris Schwinn of Pavese Law Firm makes a comment during the Chamber of Southwest Florida's a panel discussion on casino gambling on Wednesday. November 30: 2011 in south Fort Myers. / Amanda Inscore/newspress.com

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Expanded gambling is inevitable in the state, so Southwest Florida should be ready to accept it in a responsible way

That was the consensus of a four-person panel on Wednesday who spoke about the possibility of a destination resort casino someday being built in Lee County The presentation was a one-time event sponsored by the Chamber of Southwest Florida as a way to air the pros and cons of the gambling issue.

The gambling topic is expected to be one of the flashpoints in the 2012 legislative session Two bills have been introduced that would allow destination resort casinos in Florida As written, the casino bill

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Champion Development officials are circulating a petition as a way to change the county charter to allow a casino in Lee County Company officials also are meeting with county commissioners to try to get the issue on either the Jan 31 primary ballot or the general election ballot next November. To get a copy of the pelition write Our Fair Share For Florida Committee, 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers 33916 It takes 24 000 signatures of registered voters to get it on the ballot. If it makes the ballot. Lee volers would be asked yes or no on allowing a casino

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is specific to Broward and Miami-Dade counties, but some developers are urging the Legislature to allow casinos in other counties as well pending approval by local voters.

The group was made up of a rabbi, a public relations consultant, a sheriff and a social agency leader. Only the consultant endorsed a casino. The other three acknowledged the gambling momentum was growing and preparations must be made to handle it

"The increase of gambling is inevitable said panelist Thomas Louden, area commander of The Salvation Army "It probably can't be

halted. Are we ready to make decisions how to handle it?"

Rabbi Bruce Diamond of the Community Free Synagogue echoed Louden Seems inevitable ... I know the fix is in We don't have the juice to stop them We need good planning

Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott said he's neither for nor against a casino in Southwest Florida

"I don't gamble," he said "Florida is already a gambling state Anyone who says anything else is being hypocritical It's already here. What are we resisting?"

Panelist Phil Nichols, CEO of Whitestar Strategies of Atlanta represents Champion Development which has proposed building a billion-dollar complex alongside Interstate 75 stretching from Colonial Boulevard to State Road 82

This is not some seedy monster coming in," Nichols said of the proposed development that would include a shopping mall a 1,500room hotel and convention center plus a casino

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	percent of gamblers have problem addictions that require life-long	
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	definite need of long-term, unbiased studies." Louden said	Most Popular Most Commented More Headlines
	Contrary to some reports. Scott said a casino doesn't necessarily cause a higher percentage of crime. Anywhere you have a lot of	1 Woman killed in McGregor Blvd crash, driver hospitalized with serious injuries
	people there's likely to be an increase in crime.	2 Postal rates increase today
	"Casinos are known for high security. I think it's unfair to criticize them from a crime perspective There will be more crime, car break-	3 Billions in gas drilling royalties transform lives
	ins, when JetBlue Park is built Does that mean then we should not have a new ballpark?"	4 Laws essentially same since grisly 2008 Cape Coral killing
	Champion Development promises the creation of thousands of jobs and Louden said it's vital to keep the money here	5 Southwest Florida auto dealers revved up
	We want the jobs, we want to see people employed the said "The dollars need to come back into the community"	
	Nichols assured him that was the plan He said the development would eventually create about 7 000 jobs.	Most Viewed
	"The vast majority of jobs would be by local contractors. We would	
	not be looking to bring in outside labor ' Nichols said ' Some things	
	can't be made here or purchased here slot machines for	
	instance, would have to come from outside."	
	For the most part it was a friendly crowd toward casinos. There was	
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brought in a box of doughnuts, using it as a metaphor, he said for what happens when a casino is built

"They give you a real sugar high," he said holding up the doughnuts "Then what. They've got you hooked. They drain the economic bone marrow from a community *

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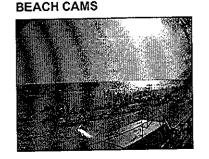
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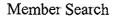
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Article I

The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

WHITESTAR COMMUNICATIONS, LLC

Article II

The street address of the principal office of the Limited Liability Company is:

7523 SEURAT STREET #203 ORLANDO, FL 32819

The mailing address of the Limited Liability Company is: 7523 SEURAT STREET #203 ORLANDO, FL 32819

Article III

The purpose for which this Limited Liability Company is organized is:

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Article IV

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

PHILIP S NICHOLS 7523 SEURAT STREET #203 ORLANDO, FL FL

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Registered Agent Signature: PHILIP NICHOLS



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Article V

The name and address of managing members/managers are:

Iitle: MGR PHILIP NICHOLS 7523 SEURAT STREET #203 ORLANDO, FL 32819

Article VI

The effective date for this Limited Liability Company shall be:

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Signature of member or an authorized representative of a member Signature: PHILIP NICHOLS

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In Re: PN

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THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

TO: Georgia Department of Revenue ATTN: Jud Seymour, Communications Director 1800 Century Boulevard, Ste. 15116 Atlanta, GA 30345-3205

YOU ARE COMMANDED by the Florida Elections Commission, pursuant to Section 106.26, Florida Statutes, to appear at 107 West Games Street, Suite 224 in Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050, on February 11, 2013, at 3:00 p.m., and to have with you at that time and place the records for subject Philip S. Nichols, and the state of the sta

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RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048 🗎

Helen Hinson to Glen Sharpe

Glen Sharpe Supervisory Special Agent Georgia Department of Revenue 1800 Century Blvd. NE, Suite 1175 Atlanta, GA 30345 PH: 404-417-2329 FAX: 404-417-220

Dear Special Agent Sharpe:

Thank you for your assistance in resolving this matter.

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Glen Sharpe

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Dear Special Agent Sharpe:

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(See attached file. Subpoena - 12-048-09.pdf)

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

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Case No.: FEC 12-048 Helen Hinson to: Glen Sharpe

02/05/2013 08:37 AM

Glen Sharpe Supervisory Special Agent Georgia Department of Revenue 1800 Century Blvd NE Suite 1175 Atlanta, GA 30345 PH: 404-417-2329 FAX: 404-417-220

Dear Special Agent Sharpe:

The Florida Elections Commission is charged with the responsibility of investigating alleged violations of Chapters 104, and Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. As part of that responsibility, the Commission is required to obtain information from vendors, organizations, and individuals who may have information about the subject of the Commission's investigation

Pursuant to Section 106.26, Florida Statutes, the Commission is authorized to subpoena witnesses and documents to assist in its investigation Please find our subpoena attached as we discussed by telephone last week

Subpoena - 12-048-09 pdf

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter Please let me know if you have any questions

Respectfully,

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SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM WITHOUT DEPOSITION

THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

TO: Georgia Department of Revenue ATTN: Jud Seymour, Communications Director 1800 Century Boulevard, Ste 15116 Atlanta, GA 30345-3205

YOU ARE COMMANDED by the Florida Elections Commission, pursuant to Section 106 26, Florida Statutes, to appear at 107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224 in Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050, on February 11, 2013, at 3:00 p.m., and to have with you at that time and place the records for subject Philip S Nichols, Street, Suite and last known address of 5865 Branch Valley-Way, Cumming, GA-30040-7090 as follows:

***See back side for additional information.

These documents will be inspected and may be copied at that time. You will not be required to surrender the original items. You may comply with this subpoena by providing legible copies of the documents requested on or before the scheduled date of production. You may mail or deliver the copies to the Commission and thereby eliminate your appearance at the time and place specified above.

You have the right to object to this subpoena by filing a motion to quash or limit the subpoena with the Agency Clerk and in the motion state the grounds relied upon. You are subpoenaed to appear by the attorney whose name appears on this subpoena and unless excused by that attorney, you shall respond to this subpoena as directed.

Pursuant to Section 120 569(2)(f), Florida Statutes, this subpoena does not relate to the legislative duties of the person or committee named above

THIS SUBPOENA IS CONFIDENTIAL. Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, provides that any person who discloses this subpoena or the contents of this subpoena commits a misdemeanor.

Dated on **En Feb 4**, 2013.

Eric M. Lipman Interim Executive Director

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- 2. Any and all records disclosing the subject owner's address for property, vehicles, trailers and or vessels;
- 3. Any and all records for vehicles owned by the subject including, but not limited to, the vehicle identification number ("VIN"), vehicle type, vehicle make, model, body style, year, color, and mileage for any and all vehicles owned by the subject; and
- 4. Any and all records for any and all trailers and or vessels owned by the subject.

Contact Attorney:

Jaakan A Williams, Assistant General Counsel 107 W Gaines Street The Collins Building, Suite 224 Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 PH: (850) 922-4539

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Ms. Hinson,

We can confirm whether a person has vehicles registered in Georgia. To go farther than that for a non-criminal matter, we require an administrative subpoena.

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----- Original Message -----From: <u>Fraser, Andrea</u> To: <u>Bernie Feliciano</u>; <u>T HART</u> Cc: <u>SHARON HARRINGTON</u>; <u>phil@whitestarstrategies.com</u>; <u>Edens, Angela</u>; <u>ext-Beaumont, J</u> (<u>leeelections.com</u>); <u>CHERYL PATRICK</u>; <u>Hunt, Michael</u> Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 1:25 PM Subject: RE: Proposed Charter Amendment Petition Form

Good afternoon. On behalf of Michael Hunt, County Attorney, the provisions of LCO 97-14 have been correctly interpreted with respect to the petition format.

As to your question about who at the BoCC should be notified, please forward the notice to the Chair, Franklin Mann

—Andrea R Fraser—

Deputy County Attorney Lee County Attorney's Office PO Box 398 Fort Myers, FL 33902-0398 Phone: (239) 533-2236 Fax: (239) 485-2118 fraserar@leegov.com

From: Bernie Feliciano [mailto:bfeliciano@leeelections.com] Sent: Friday, May 20, 2011 5:06 PM To: Fraser, Andrea; T HART Cc: SHARON HARRINGTON; phil@whitestarstrategies.com; Edens, Angela; ext-Beaumont, J (leeelections.com); CHERYL PATRICK Subject: Proposed Charter Amendment Petition Form

Good Afternoon,

Attached is a copy of a petition proposing an amendment to the Lee County Charter, submitted to this office on May 20, 2011, by the Our Fair Share for Florida Committee, 3530 Work Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33916. The political committee is state committee, operating on a multi-county basis, and registered with the Florida Division of Elections.

Lee County Ordinance 97-14 specifically provides that the sponsor of a proposed amendment to the charter of Lee County register with the Lee County Supervisor of Elections (LCO 97-14 Section 2 D.)

The Supervisor of Elections requests a directive from the Lee County Attorney's Office with respect to the jurisdiction for registration of the political committee as LCO 97-14 states that the sponsor of the petition must be registered with the Supervisor of Elections. For your reference, Florida Statute 106.03(3)(d) amended by HB 1355 (LOF 2011-40) 05-19-11 states:

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"Any political committee which would be required under this subsection to file a statement of organization in two or more locations need only file with the Division of Elections."

Review of the petition form, indicates that the attached petition <u>substantially meets</u> the <u>format</u> criteria outlined in Lee County Ordinance 97-14 as follows:

- The Ballot Title contains 9 words and does not exceed the 15-word limit as specified in LCO 97-14.
- The petition form contains a Ballot Summary are required in LCO 97-14.
- The Ballot Summary contains 43 words and does not exceed the 75-word limit as specified in LCO 97-14.
- The petition form contains the Full Proposed Text of the Amendment as required by LCO 97-14
- The "oath of signer" appearing on the petition form is worded in the same format as in Section 2 of the ordinance.
- The section of the petition form designed for signer information indicates that this section of the petition form is substantially in compliance with LCO 97-14
- The petition form contains the political disclaimer required by LCO 97-14 and Florida Statute 106.143
- The committee chairman, Philip Nichols, was provided upon his request and via email communication, a copy of Lee County Ordinance 97-14 on February 16, 2010 and March 30, 2011
 Noted are the following corrections that need to be made:
 - The Ballot Summary contains one application of "lee county" in the 1st (first) sentence that needs to be capitalized for consistency throughout the petition form
 - The Ballot Summary contains one application of "county" in the 2nd (second) sentence that needs to be capitalized for consistency throughout the petition form.

The Lee County Supervisor of Elections would like to verify with the Lee County Attorney's Office <u>and</u> <u>the</u> Supervisor's legal counsel that the provisions of LCO 97-14 have been accurately interpreted with respect to petition format. The Lee County Supervisor of Elections will make no review as to the legal sufficiency of the text of the proposed charter amendment.

PLEASE NOTE: The Lee County Supervisor of Elections is required to notify the Board of County Commissioners and the sponsor of the petition, in writing, within 14 days whether or not the petition format complies with LCO 97-14; to whom at the BOCC would that notification be made with respect to approval of the format?

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Your notification via email communication would be greatly appreciated.

Bernie Feliciano Qualifying Officer Post Office Box 2545 Fort Myers FL 33902 Main Number: 239-533-8683 Direct Number: 239-533-6304 Fax Number: 239-533-6310 <u>bfeliciano@leeelections.com</u> Visit Our Website: <u>www.leeelections.com</u> Under Florida Law, email addresses are public records If you do not want your email address released in response to a public-records request, do not send electronic mail to this entity. Instead, contact this office by telephone

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December 7, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL: 70041160000491862067

Philip Nichols 3000 Oasis Blvd #2506 Ft. Myers, Florida 33916

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr Nichols:

The Florida Elections Commission at its last regularly scheduled meeting considered this case and issued the order that is enclosed with this letter Please read the order carefully. As the Respondent, you are entitled to a hearing. The Order of Probable Cause will explain in detail how you obtain a hearing.

If you prefer to enter into a consent order, please contact me at the telephone number or address listed above and I will attempt to reach an agreement with you

Since the Commission has determined probable cause, Section 106 25, Florida Statutes, provides that all investigative reports and other documents related to this case are no longer confidential

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

Wayne L Rubinas Executive Director

Enclosures: Order of Probable Cause and Staff Recommendation cc: Division of Elections, Complainant/Filing Officer w/enclosures USPS.com[®] - Track & Confir^y

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STATE OF FLORIDA

Florida Elections Commission, Petitioner,

Agency Case No.: FEC 12-048

Philip Nichols, Respondent.

v.

ORDER OF PROBABLE CAUSE

THIS CAUSE came on to be heard before the Florida Elections Commission at its meeting held on November 15, 2012, in Tallahassee, Florida

The Commission has reviewed the Complaint, Report of Investigation, Staff Recommendation, all documents submitted by the Respondent, any relevant documents, and considered all oral statements made at the probable cause hearing Based on the facts set forth in the Staff Recommendation, which is incorporated herein and attached to this order, the Commission finds that there is probable cause that Respondent committed one count of violating Chapter 106, Florida Statutes:

Count 1:

On or about January 10, 2012, Respondent violated Section 106.07 (1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file timely Our Fair Share for Florida's 2011 Q4 Report listing all contributions received and expenditures made by Our Fair Share for Florida during the reporting period.

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Tim Holladay, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

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NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

As the Respondent, you may elect to resolve this case in several ways. First, you may elect to resolve this case by <u>consent order</u> where you and Commission staff agree to resolve the violations and agree to the amount of the fine. The agreed to consent order is then presented to the Commission for its approval. To discuss a consent order, contact the attorney who signed the Staff Recommendation attached to the Order of Probable Cause.

Second, you may request an <u>informal hearing</u> held before the Commission, if you <u>do not</u> dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date of the Order of Probable Cause to request such a hearing. At the hearing, you will have the right to make written or oral arguments to the Commission concerning the legal issues related to the violations and the potential fine At the request of Respondent, the Commission will consider and determine willfulness at an informal hearing Otherwise, live witness testimony is unnecessary

Third, you may request a <u>formal hearing</u> held before an administrative law judge in the Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH), if you dispute any material fact in the Staff Recommendation. You have 30 days from the date of the Order of Probable Cause to request such a hearing. At the hearing, you will have the right to present evidence relevant to the violation(s) listed in this order, to cross-examine opposing witnesses, to impeach any witness, and to rebut the evidence presented against you

If you do not elect to resolve the case by consent order or request a formal hearing at the DOAH or an informal hearing before the Commission within 30 days of the date of this Order of Probable Cause, the case will be sent to the Commission and you will be entitled to a formal or informal hearing.

To request a hearing, please send a written request to the Commission Clerk, Donna Ann Malphurs. The address of the Commission Clerk is 107 W. Gaines Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050. The telephone number is (850) 922-4539. The Clerk will provide you with a copy of Chapter 28-106, *Florida Administrative Code*, and other applicable rules upon request. No mediation is available.

Copies furnished to:

Jaakan Williams, Assistant General Counsel Philip Nichols, Respondent (certified mail) Kristi Reid Bronson, Filing Officer

Attachment: Staff Recommendation

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to section 106 25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Amended Report of Investigation submitted on June 12, 2012, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1 On March 26, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections ("Division"), alleging that Philip Nichols ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes

2 Respondent is the treasurer and chairman of Our Fair Share for Florida, a political "Committee" registered with the Division of Elections

3 By letter dated May 18, 2012, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provisions:

> Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes: Philip Nichols, treasurer for Our Fair Share for Florida, failed to file his 2011 Q4 Campaign Finance Report that was due on January 10, 2012, as alleged in the referral from the Division of Elections

4 On May 10, 2011, the Committee filed its Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees form (DS-DE 6) appointing Respondent treasurer of the committee (ROI Exhibit 1)¹

5 By letter dated May 12, 2011, Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, Division of Elections, advised Respondent that all reports must be filed electronically using the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS) (ROI Exhibit 3)

6 Ms Bronson's letter also advised Respondent that it was his responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws Respondent was further advised that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms were on its website and directed to print a copy of Chapter 106 of the Florida Statutes, the 2010 Political Committee Handbook, the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2017 of the Florida

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¹ The Amended Report of Investigation is referred to herein as "ROI "

Administrative Code² Id

7. Respondent failed to file timely the Committee's 2011 Q4 Report on January 10, 2012 (ROI Exhibit 4).

8 By letters dated January 12, 2012 and January 26, 2012, Ms Bronson informed Respondent that his 2011 Q4 Report had not been filed On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice to Respondent informing him that it had not received the Committee's 2011 Q4 Report The letter was delivered on February 22, 2012 (ROI Exhibit 2)

9 On February 10, 2012, Division staff attempted to contact Respondent by telephone. However, the telephone number on file with the Division appeared to be disconnected Thereafter, staff phoned the committee's registered agent, Kenneth Foote, and left a voice message regarding the 2011 Q4 Report.

10. After receiving three written notices and a voice message left with the Committee's Registered Agent, Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report on March 23, 2012, 73 days late.³ (ROI Exhibit 5)

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Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find probable cause to charge Respondent with violating the following:

² Information appears in **bold** typeface on the letter

³ A fine of \$125 was imposed by the filing officer for this untimely filing of the 2011 Q4 Report As of June 11, 2002, the fine remains unpaid

Count 1:

On or about January 10, 2012, Respondent violated Section 106 07 (1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file timely Our Fair Share for Florida's 2011 Q4 Report listing all contributions received and expenditures made by Our Fair Share for Florida during the reporting period

Respectfully submitted on June 28^{+2012} ,

Josh Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this <u>22</u> day of June 2012.

for Rosanna Catalano Executive Director

In Re: PN

Case No : FEC 12-048 Subpoena No: 12-048-09

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM WITHOUT DEPOSITION

THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

TO: Georgia Department of Revenue ATTN: Jud Seymour, Communications Director 1800 Century Boulevard, Ste 15116 Atlanta, GA 30345-3205

YOU ARE COMMANDED by the Florida Elections Commission, pursuant to Section 106 26, Florida Statutes, to appear at 107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224 in Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050, on February 11, 2013, at 3:00 p.m., and to have with you at that time and place the records for subject Philip S Nichols, **Example 1999** and last known address of 5865 Branch– Valley Way, Cumming, GA 30040-7090 as follows:

***See back side for additional information.

These documents will be inspected and may be copied at that time. You will not be required to surrender the original items. You may comply with this subpoena by providing legible copies of the documents requested on or before the scheduled date of production. You may mail or deliver the copies to the Commission and thereby eliminate your appearance at the time and place specified above

You have the right to object to this subpoena by filing a motion to quash or limit the subpoena with the Agency Clerk and in the motion state the grounds relied upon You are subpoenaed to appear by the attorney whose name appears on this subpoena and unless excused by that attorney, you shall respond to this subpoena as directed

Pursuant to Section 120 569(2)(f), Florida Statutes, this subpoena does not relate to the legislative duties of the person or committee named above

THIS SUBPOENA IS CONFIDENTIAL. Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, provides that any person who discloses this subpoena or the contents of this subpoena commits a misdemeanor.

Dated on 66 4, 2013

Eric M. Lipman Interim Executive Director

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

NOTICE OF PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING

TO: Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd, #2506 Ft Myers, Florida 33916-1644

> Ms Kristi Reid Bronson Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0150

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 15, 2012, at 9:00 am. or thereafter as the parties can be heard, the Florida Elections Commission will bring on to be heard whether there is probable cause that Respondent violated a provision of The Florida Election Code The Commission shall meet at: Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room TBA (call 850-922-4539 on November 13, 2012 to verify Room Number), Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6526.

Respondent and staff shall each have time to make a brief oral argument to the Commission before it determines probable cause Complainant will be permitted to attend the probable cause hearing Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of oral argument and the Commission will decide this matter on the record before it. Convenience of location is not a basis for continuing or postponing the hearing. Please note that this matter may not be addressed individually and it may be voted on en masse by the Commission See reverse side for additional instructions.

If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs, Commission Clerk, Florida Elections Commission, at (850) 922-4539 or at 107 W Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida, at least 5 days before the hearing

PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.

Dated on October 29, 2012

Eric M. Lipman Interim Executive Director

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING

Please be advised that other cases have been scheduled for the same time. Therefore, your case may not be called exactly at the time set forth on this notice. Please note that this matter may not be addressed individually and it may be voted on en masse by the Commission.

At the probable cause hearing, the Florida Elections Commission will decide whether there is **probable** cause to believe that Respondent has violated one or more provisions of The Florida Election Code.

Respondent, each Complainant, and their counsel are permitted to attend the probable cause hearing.

The hearing will be conducted pursuant to Section 106.25, *Florida Statutes*; Chapter 28, *Florida Administrative Code*, the Uniform Rules of Procedures; and Commission Rule 1.0027, *Florida Administrative Code*.

The Commission will electronically record the meeting Although the Commission's recording is considered the official record of the hearing, the Respondent, at his or her own expense, may provide a certified court reporter also to record the hearing

Before making a decision on probable cause, the Commission will review the complaint, the Report of Investigation, the Staff Recommendation, any written responses submitted by Respondent, all relevant documents, and any oral statements made by Respondent and staff at the probable cause hearing

When your case is called, the Chair will read a brief statement and may ask Respondent, Complainant, and their attorneys, if an attorney is present, to state their names for the record

Staff will then have time to summarize the case and make a recommendation to the Commission on probable cause After staff's presentation, if the Respondent is present he or she will have time to make a statement to the Commission in the nature of an oral argument

Pursuant to Section 106 25(4), *Florida Statutes*, Respondent's statement should explain how the staff erred in applying the law to the facts enumerated in the Staff Recommendation Respondent may not testify or call others to testify or introduce any documentary or other evidence at the probable cause hearing

At the probable cause hearing, the Commission is not deciding whether Respondent has violated a provision of The Florida Election Code or the amount of the fine The Commission is only deciding whether Respondent should be charged with violating a provision of the election code Before the Commission determines whether a violation has occurred or a fine should be imposed, Respondent will have an opportunity for a second hearing, where Respondent may testify, call others to testify on his or her behalf, and introduce documentary or other evidence that shows Respondent did not commit the violations charged

After the presentations are concluded, the Commissioners will discuss the case and may ask questions of Respondent and staff. The Commission's decision on probable cause will be made by a majority vote of those members present and voting

After the Commission decides whether there is or is not probable cause to believe that Respondent violated a provision of the election code, the case will become public In some cases, the Commission may not make a decision, such as when further investigation is ordered. If the Commission does not make a decision on probable cause, the case will remain confidential, unless confidentiality has been waived.

After the Commission meeting, the Commission will send Respondent and Complainant a <u>written order</u> reflecting the Commission's decision on probable cause If the Commission finds no probable cause, the case will be dismissed. If the Commission finds probable cause, Respondent will receive instructions on how to either settlement the matter or select a hearing before the Commission or the Division of Administrative Hearings These hearings will determine whether a violation has occurred and whether a fine should be imposed.

If Respondent has not received the Staff Recommendation or if you have any questions about the procedures for the probable cause hearing, please contact Donna Malphurs at (850) 922-4539.

Hea012 (8/08)



FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street Collins Building, Suite 224 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 (850) 922-4539

Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Ft. Myers, Florida 33916-1644

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr Nichols:

The Florida Elections Commission at its last regularly scheduled meeting considered the above referenced case and issued the order that is enclosed.

Please let me know if you have any questions

Sincerely,

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Eric M Lipman Interim Executive Director

Enclosure: Order

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STATE OF FLORIDA

In Re: Philip Nichols

CASE NO.: FEC 12-048

ORDER CONTINUING CASE

THIS CAUSE was scheduled to be heard before the Florida Elections Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting held on August 14, 2012, in Tallahassee, Florida

The Commission was unable to hear this case at its meeting

Therefore, it is

ORDERED and **ADJUDGED** that the case is continued until the Commission's next meeting on November 14 & 15, 2012, in Tallahassee, Florida

DONE AND, ORDERED by the Florida Elections Commission on

____, 2012.

Tim Holladay, Chairman Florida Elections Commission

Copies furnished to:

Eric Lipman, Interim Executive Director Philip Nichols, Respondent

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

NOTICE OF PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING

TO: Philip Nichols
 Our Fair Share for Florida
 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd, Suite 2506
 Fort Myers, Florida 33916-1644

Kristi Reid Bronson Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, Florida 32399

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 14, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. or thereafter as the parties can be heard, the Florida Elections Commission will bring on to be heard whether there is probable cause that Respondent violated a provision of The Florida Election Code The Commission shall meet at: Senate Office Building, 404 South Monroe Street, Room S401, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6526.

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PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.

Dated on July 23rd, 2012

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Rosanna Catalano Executive Director

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING

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Respondent, each Complainant, and their counsel are permitted to attend the probable cause hearing.

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After the Commission meeting, the Commission will send Respondent and Complainant a <u>written order</u> reflecting the Commission's decision on probable cause. If the Commission finds no probable cause, the case will be dismissed. If the Commission finds probable cause, Respondent will receive instructions on how to either settlement the matter or select a hearing before the Commission or the Division of Administrative Hearings. These hearings will determine whether a violation has occurred and whether a fine should be imposed.

If Respondent has not received the Staff Recommendation or if you have any questions about the procedures for the probable cause hearing, please contact Donna Malphurs at (850) 922-4539.



FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 Telephone: (850) 922-4539 Fax: (850) 921-0783

June 29, 2012

Philip Nichols, Treasurer Our Fair Share For Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Boulevard, Suite 2506 Fort Myers, Florida 33916-1644

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

The Commission staff has completed its investigation of the complaint filed against you on March 26, 2012, and is recommending the Commission find probable cause to charge you with violating Florida's election laws. As required by section 106 25, Florida Statutes, you are being provided with a copy of the Staff Recommendation. If you choose to file a response to the recommendation, you must file your response with the Commission within 14 days from the date of this letter. If you timely file a response to the staff recommendation, the Commission will consider your response when determining probable cause.

At its meeting scheduled for August 14-15, 2012, the Commission will hold a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to charge you with violating Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You and the complainant will receive a notice of hearing at least 14 days before the hearing. The notice of hearing will indicate the location, date, and time of your hearing. You will have the opportunity to make a brief oral statement to the Commission, but you will not be permitted to testify or call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence.

The Notice of Hearing will be mailed to the same address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify the Commission of your new address. Otherwise, you may not receive the correspondence from the Commission staff. Failure to receive the documents will not delay the probable cause hearing

Unless you have waived your privilege of confidentiality, please remember that the Staff Recommendation and all other documents related to the complaint filed against you are <u>confidential</u> until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause, or unless you waive confidentiality in writing. If you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the Commission staff can discuss this case with him or her. After reviewing the Staff Recommendation, if you desire to enter negotiations directed towards reaching a settlement via consent agreement, please notify us in writing

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at extension 102

Sincerely,

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Donna Ann Malphurs Agency Clerk

Enclosure: Staff Recommendation

In Re: Philip Nichols

Case No.: FEC 12-048

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION

Pursuant to section 106 25(4)(c), Florida Statutes, undersigned staff counsel files this written recommendation for disposition of the referral in this case recommending that there is **probable cause** to charge Respondent with violating **Section 106.07(1)**, Florida Statutes. Based upon a thorough review of the Amended Report of Investigation submitted on June 12, 2012, the following facts and law support this staff recommendation:

1 On March 26, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received a referral from the Department of State, Division of Elections ("Division"), alleging that Philip Nichols ("Respondent") violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.

2. Respondent is the treasurer and chairman of Our Fair Share for Florida, a political "Committee" registered with the Division of Elections

3. By letter dated May 18, 2012, the Executive Director notified Respondent that Commission staff would investigate the following statutory provisions:

> Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes: Philip Nichols, treasurer for Our Fair Share for Florida, failed to file his 2011 Q4 Campaign Finance Report that was due on January 10, 2012, as alleged in the referral from the Division of Elections

4. On May 10, 2011, the Committee filed its Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees form (DS-DE 6) appointing Respondent treasurer of the committee (ROI Exhibit 1).¹

5. By letter dated May 12, 2011, Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records, Division of Elections, advised Respondent that all reports must be filed electronically using the Division's Electronic Filing System (EFS). (ROI Exhibit 3).

6. Ms Bronson's letter also advised Respondent that it was his responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws Respondent was further advised that all of the Division's publications and reporting forms were on its website and directed to print a copy of Chapter 106 of the Florida Statutes, the 2010 Political Committee Handbook, the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2017 of the Florida

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¹ The Amended Report of Investigation is referred to herein as "ROI."

Administrative Code² Id.

7. Respondent failed to file timely the Committee's 2011 Q4 Report on January 10, 2012. (ROI Exhibit 4).

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8. By letters dated January 12, 2012 and January 26, 2012, Ms Bronson informed Respondent that his 2011 Q4 Report had not been filed. On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice to Respondent informing him that it had not received the Committee's 2011 Q4 Report. The letter was delivered on February 22, 2012. (ROI Exhibit 2).

9 On February 10, 2012, Division staff attempted to contact Respondent by telephone. However, the telephone number on file with the Division appeared to be disconnected Thereafter, staff phoned the committee's registered agent, Kenneth Foote, and left a voice message regarding the 2011 Q4 Report.

10. After receiving three written notices and a voice message left with the Committee's Registered Agent, Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report on March 23, 2012, 73 days late.³ (ROI Exhibit 5).

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12 The facts set forth above show that Respondent is the treasurer for the political committee Our Fair Share for Florida. Respondent failed to timely file the Committee's 2011 Q4 Campaign Report on January 10, 2012. By letters dated January 12, 2012, January 26, 2012, and February 20, 2012, the Division notified Respondent that it had not received the Committee's Q4 Report. Despite receiving three letters from the Division, and a phone call to the Committee's Registered agent, Respondent failed to file the Committee's report until March 23, 2012, 73 days late.

Based upon these facts and circumstances, I recommend that the Commission find probable cause to charge Respondent with violating the following:

² Information appears in **bold** typeface on the letter

 $^{^{3}}$ A fine of \$125 was imposed by the filing officer for this untimely filing of the 2011 Q4 Report. As of June 11, 2002, the fine remains unpaid

Count 1:

On or about January 10, 2012, Respondent violated Section 106.07 (1), Florida Statutes, when he failed to file timely Our Fair Share for Florida's 2011 Q4 Report listing all contributions received and expenditures made by Our Fair Share for Florida during the reporting period

Respectfully submitted on June 28, 2012,

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Joshua B. N Assistant General Counsel

I reviewed this Staff Recommendation this $\frac{24}{2}$ day of June 2012.

for Rosanna Catalano Executive Director

CONFIDENTIAL Case No.: FEC 12-048

Helen Hinson to: phil

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Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., Ste. #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644 PH: 770-296-0719

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

I have attached the documents as we discussed earlier today by phone including the Agency Clerk's letter with the Amended ROI and Exhibits. Please review and if you wish, please submit a written response by June 25, 2012. Also, please inform Commission staff of any changes in your contact information so you will receive staff's correspondence related to this case.

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Thank you in advance for your assistance in resolving this matter.

Respectfully,

Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist Florida Elections Commission The Collins Building, Ste. 224 107 West Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 helen hinson@myfloridalegal.com PH: (850) 922-4539, X-115 FAX: (850) 921-0783 www.fec state fl.us

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Written communications to or from me regarding state business constitute public records and are available to the public and media upon request unless the information is subject to a specific statutory exemption. Therefore, your e-mail message may be subject to public disclosure.



FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 Telephone: (850) 922-4539 Fax: (850) 921-0783

June 13, 2012

Philip Nichols 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Ft. Myers, Florida 33916-1644

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

The Commission staff has completed its investigation of the complaint filed against you on March 26, 2012. As required by section 106 25, Florida Statutes, you are being provided a copy of the Amended Report of Investigation. As identified in the Amended Report of Investigation, please note that due to a scrivener's error [Section 106 141(1), F S] was identified in the heading in Section II in the Report of Investigation.

As previously discussed in my letter dated June 11, 2012, should you choose to file a response to the report, you must file your response with the Commission within 14 days from June 11, 2012. If your response is timely filed, the Commission will consider it when determining probable cause.

Commission staff will review the Amended Report of Investigation and make a written recommendation to the Commission on whether there is probable cause to charge you with violating Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will receive a copy of this staff recommendation and will have the opportunity to file a response. Should you choose to do so, your response must be filed with the Commission within 14 days from the date the recommendation is mailed to you. If your response is timely filed, the Commission will consider it when determining probable cause.

The Commission will then hold a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapter 104, 105 or 106, Florida Statutes You and the complainant will receive a notice of hearing at least 14 days before the hearing. The notice of hearing will indicate the location, date, and time of your hearing You will have the opportunity to make a brief oral statement to the Commission, but you will not be permitted to testify or call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence

At any time before a probable cause finding, you may notify us in writing that you want to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a settlement via consent agreement. The Staff Recommendation and the Notice of Hearing will be mailed to the same address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify the Commission of your new address. Otherwise, you may not receive the correspondence from the Commission staff. Failure to receive the documents will not delay the probable cause hearing.

Under section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, are **confidential** until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the person filing the complaint However, it does apply to you, the Respondent, unless you waive confidentiality in writing. The confidentiality provision does not preclude you from seeking legal counsel. However, if you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the Commission staff can discuss this case with him or her

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at extension 102

Sincerely,

Donna H. Messhun

Donna Ann Malphurs Agency Clerk

Enclosure:

Amended Report of Investigation w/Exhibits

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION AMENDED REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Case No.: FEC 12-048

Respondent: Philip Nichols, Treasurer, for Our Fair Share for Florida

Complainant: Division of Elections

Pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, on March 26, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received information from the Division of Elections that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes The Division's referral was mandated pursuant to Section 106.07(8)(d), Florida Statutes. Commission staff investigated whether Respondent violated the following statute:

> Section 106 07(1), Florida Statutes, failure of a campaign treasurer of a political committee to file timely regular reports of all contributions received, and all expenditures made, by or on behalf of the political committee.

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent is the treasurer and chairman of the political committee (PC), Our Fair Share for Florida He accepted the appointment as treasurer on May 9, 2011 Mr Kenneth Foote is the registered agent for the political committee On May 10, 2011, the PC was registered and placed in an active status with the Division of Elections and has remained in active status since that date. The PC supports/opposes both candidates and issues The purpose of the PC is to support economic growth, business development and gaming, and to oppose increased taxes

2. Complainant is the Division of Elections.

3. Respondent's filing officer is Kristi Reid-Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records

II. Alleged Violation of Section 106.07(1),¹ Florida Statutes:

4 I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of Florida's election laws by not filing his 2011 Q4 Report which was due on January 10, 2012, after receiving notice that the report was due.

5. On May 10, 2011, the committee filed an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees (DS-DE 6) form, appointing Respondent treasurer of the committee. To view a copy of Form DS-DE 6 and additional relevant documents for the political committee, refer to Exhibit 1.

6. Complainant submitted a sworn affidavit dated March 22, 2012. To review the sworn affidavit, refer to Exhibit 2.

7. By letter dated May 11, 2011, the filing officer advised Respondent that the political committee's first report was due on July 11, 2011, and all reports must be filed

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¹ Due to a scrivener's error [Section 106 141(1), F.S.] was identified in the heading in the previous report.

electronically using the Divisions' Electronic Filing System (EFS). To view a copy of the letter, refer to Exhibit 3

8. Respondent was informed that it is his responsibility to read, understand and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws; therefore, he was directed to print the following relevant documents: Chapter 106, *Florida Statues*; the 2010 Political Committee Handbook; the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates; and Rule 1S-2.017, *Florida Administrative Code*. (Note that this information appears in bold font in the final paragraph) To view a copy of the letter, refer to Exhibit 3. To review the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, refer to Exhibit 4.

9 On January 12, 2012, the Division mailed Respondent notification that his 2011 Q4 Report had not been filed On January 26, 2012, the Division mailed a second failure-to-file notice to Respondent Both letters were mailed to Respondent's address listed on his Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository form (DS-DE 6) and not returned to the Division. To review the notice dated January 12, 2012, refer to Exhibit 2, page 3. To review the second notice, refer to Exhibit 2, page 4.

10. Based upon the History Notes—the Division's electronic communications log on February 10, 2012, Division staff, Theresa Holdeen, attempted contact with Respondent by telephone; however, the telephone number on file with the Division appeared to no longer be in service. Ms Holdeen phoned the registered agent's office and left a message with his staff regarding the committee's 2011 Q4 Report. To review the Divisions' History Notes, refer to Exhibit 2, page 2.

11. On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice with delivery confirmation to Kenneth Foote, the committee's Registered Agent. To review the final notice, refer to Exhibit 2, page 5. To review the USPS track and confirm history, refer to Exhibit 2, page 6.

12 Upon further investigation, it was determined that Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report 73 days late on March 23, 2011—one day after Complainant swore out the complaint. His 2011 Q4 Report listed one contribution totaling \$500 and no expenditures Respondent was fined \$125.00 by the filing officer for the *untimely* filing of his 2011 Q4 Report covering the reporting period of October 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. To view Respondent's filing history, refer to Exhibit 5. To review Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report, refer to Exhibit 6. To view a copy of Respondent's campaign finance activity, refer to Exhibit 7.

13 In addition, it appears that Respondent filed *untimely* all additional reports at the time my report was submitted. He filed his 2011 Q2 Report—Waiver of Report—four days late; no fine was assessed by the filing officer He filed his 2011 Q3 Report—Waiver of Report—two days late; no fine was assessed by the filing officer. And Respondent filed his 2012 Q1 Report two days late; the filing officer assessed a fine totaling \$100 00. (Note that Respondent has not paid or appealed to the Commission any fines imposed by the filing officer by the date of this report.) To view a copy of Respondent's campaign finance activity, refer to Exhibit 7. To review Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report, refer to Exhibit 6.

14. Respondent did not respond to my affidavit-questionnaire regarding the untimely filing of his 2011 Q4 Report On May 30, 2012, I phoned Respondent and informed him that I was sending by email an affidavit-questionnaire to query Respondent about the untimely filing of his 2011 Q4 Report I admonished Respondent to phone me if he did not receive my email and

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the attached affidavit-questionnaire; Respondent did not contact me by telephone or email to inform me he did not receive my affidavit-questionnaire and my email was not returned as undeliverable.

III. FEC History:

15 Respondent has no history of additional complaints filed against him with the Commission at the time of our receipt of this complaint.

Conclusion:

16. On June 11, 2012, I phoned Respondent to conduct a final interview by telephone and give him an opportunity to respond to the information gathered during the course of the investigation concerning the allegations made in the complaint. Respondent said that he read briefly the *Political Committee Handbook*; he acknowledged that he should have read it more thoroughly To review the phone log, refer to Exhibit 8.

17 Based upon Respondent's filing history and campaign finance activity, it appears that Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report 73 days late. Respondent was assessed a fine in the amount of \$125 00 by the filing officer. As of the date of this report the fine has not been paid. As previously discussed in this report in paragraph 13, all additional reports filed by Respondent were filed *untimely*. To review his filing history, refer to Exhibit 5. To review his campaign finance activity, refer to Exhibit 7.

18. The phone log reflecting all Commission staff's telephone contacts in this matter is provided as Exhibit 8

Respectfully submitted on June 12, 2012,

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Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist

Current address of Respondent

Mr Philip Nichols 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd, #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644

Name and Address of Filing Officer:

Ms. Kristi Reid-Bronson, Chief Bureau of Elections Records 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250 Current address of Complainant

Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

Chair of the Committee

Mr Philip Nichols, Chairperson Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd, #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644

Copy furnished to: Mr David Flagg, Investigations Manager

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Philip Nichols -- FEC 12-048

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Exhibit 4	2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates
Exhibit 5	Respondent's filing history
Exhibit 6	Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report
Exhibit 7	Respondent's campaign finance activity
Exhibit 8	Commission staff's telephone log

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3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, Florida 3	3916				
Street Address (include city, 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, Florida 339					
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Philip Nichols	3530 Work Drive, Ft. Myers, Flor 33916	rida	Treasurer		

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EXHIBIT 2 (1 of 8)

Theresa Holdeen, being duly sworn, says:

- 1 This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge
- 2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.
- 3. Our Fair Share for Florida (55215), a political action committee registered with the Department of State, Division of Elections, has failed to file the 2011 Q4 campaign finance report that was due on January 10, 2012.
- 4 On May 10, 2011, this organization was registered and placed in active status with the Division, and has remained active since that date. Mr. Philip Nichols is the committee's chairperson, and treasurer Mr Kenneth Foote is the committee's registered agent
- 5. On January 12, 2012, the Division mailed Mr. Nichols notification that the 2011 Q4 report had not been filed.
- 6 On January 26, 2012, the Division mailed a second notice to Mr Nichols regarding this report
- 7. On February 10, 2012, I attempted contact with Mr. Nichols, the number we have on file is no longer a working number, so I contacted Mr. Foote (RA), and left a message with his receptionist about this report. (See attached History Notes).
- 8. On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice with delivery confirmation to Mr. Kenneth Foote (RA). (See attached USPS confirmation of delivery)
- 9. As of March 22, 2012, the 2011 Q4 campaign finance report has not been filed.

I hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before/me this 22nd day of March, 2012.

Signature of Notary Public - Mate of Florida Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known





HISTORY NOTES Our Fair Share for Florida - 55215

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Kurt S. Browning Secretary of State DIVISION OF 14 ECTIONS

January 12, 2012

Mr. Philip Nichols, Treasurer Our Fair Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fon Myers, FL 33916-3916

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due January 10, 2012, has not been received.

Section (06:07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file this report and that a fine will be assessed of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter \$500 per day, although a fine cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Once your report is filed, this office will notify you of the specific amount of your fine. Fines must be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of the payment due notice.

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106. Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report the division will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission.

Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose a civil penalty up to \$1 000 per count for each willful violation of Chapter 106

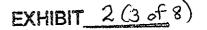
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Theresa Holdeen at (850)245-6250.

Sincerely.

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Kurt S. Browning Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

January 26, 2012

Mr Philip Nichols Treasurer Our Fait Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, FL 33916-3916

Dear Mr. Nichols

Your campaign treasurer's report, due January 10, 2012, has not been received

Section 106 (17(8)(b). Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file a report

The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on January 12, 2012. As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report

If the report is not filed via the Division's electronic filing system within 14 days of receipt of this notice, this matter will be referred to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106. Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count

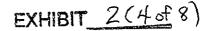
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor

KEN DETZNER Secretary of State

FINAL NOTICE - Delivery Confirmation: 0310 3490 0000 5283 6439

February 20. 2012

Mr. Kenneth Foote, Registered Agent for Our Fair Share for Florida (55215) 6521 Ridge Road, Suite 4 Port Richey, Florida 34668

Dear Mr. Foote:

According to a review of the Division's records, the organization referenced above has not filed the following report(s):

<u>Year</u>	<u>Report</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
2011	Q4	1/10/2012

The organization has previously been notified of the outstanding report Enclosed are copies of letters sent by the Division. If the report is not filed within 7 days of receipt of this letter, the Division will forward this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation

If you have any questions please call Theresa Holdeen at (850) 245-6250

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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pe: Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson

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Form DS-DE 41 (revised 1/09)

EXHIBIT 2 (8 of 8)



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

Governor

KURT S. BROWNING Secretary of State

May 12, 2011

Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson Our Fair Share Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, Florida 33916

Dear Mr. Nichols:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Our Fair Share For Florida**, which were placed on file in our office on May 10, 2011 This information appears to comply with the requirements of Section 106.03, Florida Statutes, and the name of this organization has been placed on our active committee list as a political committee that supports/opposes both candidates and issues.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on July 11, 2011 The report will cover the period of April 1 - June 30, 2011. All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's electronic filing system (EFS)

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. The chairperson, campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting this password from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised

EFS Web site Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 55215

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Mr Philip Nichols, Chairperson May 12, 2011 Page Two

Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update information. The enclosed sealed envelope contains confidential pin numbers for you

Each political committee chairperson is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that the password is forgotten or lost. When you enter the campaign account screen, there will be a drop down box where you pick a question (such as *What is your mother's maiden name?*) and supply an answer. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by Division staff and given out over the phone Please notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

Timely Filing

All reports must be completed and filed through the EFS not later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106 07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any political committee failing to file a report on the designated due date is subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each campaign treasurer's report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath by the chairperson and campaign treasurer and such persons are subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

EXHIBIT 3 (2 of 3

Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson May 12, 2011 Page Three

Instructions and Assistance

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280.

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' web site at http://elections.myflorida.com. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, 2010 Political Committee Handbook, 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

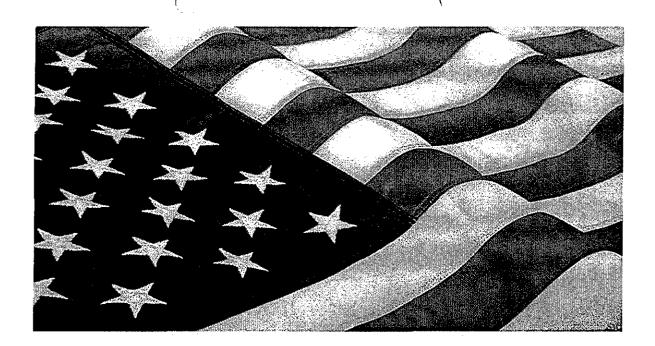
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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

EXHIBIT 3 (3 of 3)



2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates

for candidates (2012 and 2014), party executive committees, political committees, committees of continuous existence, electioneering communication organizations, and independent expenditure organizations that file with the **Division of Elections**.

REPORT SCHEDULE

Cover Period	Report Code	Due Date
10/01/10 - 12/31/10	2010 Q4	01/10/11
01/01/11 - 03/31/11	2011 Q1	04/11/11
04/01/11 - 06/30/11	2011 Q2	07/11/11
07/01/11 – 09/30/11	2011 Q3	10/11/11
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EXHIBIT 4

FEC - Candidate/Committee Filing History Report

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Florida Election System Reports

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EXHIBIT 5

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(1) Our Fair Share for Florida Candidate. Committe or Party Name		(2)	55215 I.D. Number		
(3) 3000 Grand Oasis Blvd #2506		Fort Myers	FL	33916	
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Name:	Our Fair Share for Florida	** Records in File	Report: <u>2011</u> Q4	Period: 10/01/2011	to 12/31/2011
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Campaign Finance Activity - Division of Elections - Florida Department of State



Florida Department of State **Division of Elections**

Our Fair Share for Florida

Campaign Finance Activity

Note: The information presented below was obtained from the Committee's/Candidate's Campaign Treasurer's Report filed with the Division of Elections. <u>About the Campaign Finance Data Base</u>. If all contributions for a reporting period are less than 1 dollar Then they may not be displayed.

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Select Detail Type Contributions Select Sort Order Date(Ascending) Select Output Type Display On Screen

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Query the Campaign Finance Data Base

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6/11/2012

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 12-048

Respondent: Philip Nichols, Treasurer for Our Fair Share For Florida (PC) Complainant: Division of Elections

1 Date and time: 05/24/12; 11:40 a m Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: R phoned, identified himself and explained that the political committee's registered agent has informed him of the complaint and my investigation. He declared that the report has been filed (73 days late); however, due to their relocating their offices, needing the password and pin reset, and not readily having access to a fax machine for receipt of his password and pin (reset), they were unable to file timely the report electronically. R explained that a fax machine was required to receive timely from the Division the password and pin (reset).

R noted they sent a registered letter to the filing officer with their new mailing address, a paper copy of the report and followed up with the electronic filing He declared they received only one \$500 contribution during the reporting period in question and that is reflected in the report. Respondent stated that he travels extensively for his job and is best reached at this cell number or by email: <u>phil@whitestarstrategies.com</u> Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

2 Date and time: 05/29/12; 12:30 p m. Name: Trish, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-8683

Summary: I phoned and requested to speak with someone familiar with local political committees—Bernie or someone else; Trish explained that would be either Joanne or Bernie and Bernie has been busy today (calls go straight to her voice-mail) and Joanne is out to lunch but is expected back at any moment. Trish asked if I would like to be transferred to Joann's voice-mail and I said that I would I reached Joann's voice-mail and left message requesting that she return my call regarding local political committee Our Fair Share for Lee County

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

3. Date and time: 05/29/12; 2:20 p.m. Name: Joanne, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-8683

> Summary: I phoned and she explained that she forwarded my voice-mail to Bernie since she has a greater wealth of knowledge regarding "PACs" She thought I had called while she was away on leave/vacation; she said that information is available on their website. I explained that I had looked for the information but it was not on their website. While we were speaking Joanne checked their website and confirmed that she did not find it on the

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website either Joanne added that she did not wish to push me off on Bernie and make me feel rushed, but she is leaving soon for a doctor's appointment; she added that Bernie is currently out to lunch and she/Joanne will leave a message for Bernie saying that I had called again.

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

- 4 Date and time: 05/29/12; 3:01 p.m.
 Name: Ms Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections
 Phone #: UNK
 Summary: She returned my call and reached my voice-mail; she provided her direct telephone number: PH: 239-533-6304
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH
- 5. Date and time: 05/29/12; 3:54 p.m
 Name: Ms. Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections
 Phone #: 239-533-6304
 Summary: I phoned and reached her voice-mail; I explained that I was sorry we're playing phone tag but requested that she return my call.
 Memo to File? No
 Entered by: HH
- 6 Date and time: 05/29/12; 4:40 p m.
 Name: Ms Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections
 Phone #: 239-533-6304
 Summary: I phoned and asked if she had provided any handbooks or election law related materials to chair/treasurer (Respondent) Phil Nichols; she responded that she had not.

materials to chair/treasurer (Respondent) Phil Nichols; she responded that she had not Ms. Feliciano explained that her contact with (Respondent) Mr. Nichols was regarding their first and second petition initiatives to change the county charter by amendment She emailed to me all documents in her two files for the PC; I confirmed receipt of her emails and attachments. Ms. Feliciano confirmed Respondent's cell phone number and email address as the same that I have on file.

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

7. Date and time: 05/30/12; 10:01 a.m. Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols

Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: I phoned R and informed him that I was sending by email the questionnaire. I requested that he call me if he does not receive it within the next 10 minutes. I encouraged Respondent to respond in writing and informed him what to expect regarding timelines, my Report of Investigation, staff's recommendation and opportunities for him to respond in writing, and quarterly meetings of the Commission

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

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8. Date and time: 06/11/12; 10:20 a m.
 Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols
 Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

Summary: I phoned Respondent, identified myself and informed him that I was completing my Report of Investigation (ROI) and wished to conduct a final interview by telephone and give him an opportunity to respond to the information gathered during the course of the investigation concerning the allegations made in the complaint. I asked Respondent if he had read the *Political Committee Handbook*; he said that he reviewed it briefly and acknowledged that he should have read it more thoroughly.

I again informed Respondent that he'll receive a copy of my ROI, staff's recommendation and will have an opportunity to respond in writing. I encouraged Respondent to respond in writing to my ROI and staff's recommendation. I informed him that he would receive a notice of hearing from the Agency Clerk and he may wish to attend the Commission's meeting in Tallahassee. I noted that was not permitted to offer any new evidence but may respond to the Commission's queries

Respondent wondered why all this fuss over a \$125.00 fine; I informed him that the filing officer imposed the \$125.00 fine for the late filing of his 2011 Q4 Report, but the Commission may impose a fine in the instant case in an amount up to \$1,000.00 for each violation of Section 106.07(1), F S

Respondent again declared that the report has been filed (73 days late); however, due to their relocating their offices, needing the password and pin reset, and not readily having access to a fax machine for receipt of his pin (reset) and password, the Committee was unable to file timely the report electronically. He declared that Division staff would not provide the password and pin over the phone and required a fax number to forward the information delaying his receipt of the password and pin (reset).

Respondent queried, "What about the registered letter." He believed that the Division would "wave [sic] any fees or fines associated with this filing"—as requested in the Committee's "registered letter" to the Division; I noted that it appears that he did not file an appeal with the Commission. I also noted that he did not complete and return my affidavit-questionnaire. I directed Respondent to the Commission's website; the tab labeled "About"; and the drop-down, "Common Violations and Appeals."

I queried why Respondent did not have his password and pin; he declared that he "lost it" I <u>encouraged</u> Respondent to protect his password and pin number so that he may timely file his reports and to start each report early in the reporting period, and update contributions and/or expenditures as needed rather than waiting until the day the report was due to start the report. I also admonished Respondent to timely file electronically his next report (2012 F1 Report) with the Division of Elections due in early July 2012—July 13th I suggested he call the Help Desk and Division staff for assistance if needed. I also suggested that Respondent keep the Division of Elections informed of any changes in officers, and contact information so he may receive timely notices, etc. (Note that I

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provided a copy of the <u>2012 Calendar of Reporting Dates</u> and a link to the Divisions' publication by email for his information after our telephone conversation this morning) **Memo to File?** No **Entered by:** HH

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FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION 107 W. Gaines Street, Suite 224 Collins Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050 Telephone: (850) 922-4539 Fax: (850) 921-0783

June 11, 2012

Philip Nichols 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd. Ft. Myers, Florida 33916-1644

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

The Commission staff has completed its investigation of the complaint filed against you on March 26, 2012 As required by section 106.25, Florida Statutes, you are being provided a copy of the Report of Investigation Should you choose to file a response to the report, you must file your response with the Commission within 14 days from the date of this letter If your response is timely filed, the Commission will consider it when determining probable cause.

Commission staff will review the Report of Investigation and make a written recommendation to the Commission on whether there is probable cause to charge you with violating Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will receive a copy of this staff recommendation and will have the opportunity to file a response. Should you choose to do so, your response must be filed with the Commission within 14 days from the date the recommendation is mailed to you. If your response is timely filed, the Commission will consider it when determining probable cause.

The Commission will then hold a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapter 104, 105 or 106, Florida Statutes. You and the complainant will receive a notice of hearing at least 14 days before the hearing The notice of hearing will indicate the location, date, and time of your hearing. You will have the opportunity to make a brief oral statement to the Commission, but you will not be permitted to testify or call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence.

At any time before a probable cause finding, you may notify us in writing that you want to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a settlement via consent agreement.

The Staff Recommendation and the Notice of Hearing will be mailed to the same address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify the Commission of your new address.

Otherwise, you may not receive the correspondence from the Commission staff <u>Failure to</u> receive the documents will not delay the probable cause hearing

Under section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, are **confidential** until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the person filing the complaint. However, it does apply to you, the Respondent, unless you waive confidentiality in writing. The confidentiality provision does not preclude you from seeking legal counsel. However, if you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the Commission staff can discuss this case with him or her.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at extension 102.

Sincerely,

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Donna Ann Malphurs Agency Clerk

Enclosure: Report of Investigation

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Case No.: FEC 12-048

Respondent: Philip Nichols, Treasurer, for Our Fair Share for Florida

Complainant: Division of Elections

Pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, on March 26, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received information from the Division of Elections that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes. The Division's referral was mandated pursuant to Section 106.07(8)(d), Florida Statutes. Commission staff investigated whether Respondent violated the following statute:

> Section 106 07(1), Florida Statutes, failure of a campaign treasurer of a political committee to file timely regular reports of all contributions received, and all expenditures made, by or on behalf of the political committee.

I. Preliminary Information:

1. Respondent is the treasurer and chairman of the political committee (PC), Our Fair Share for Florida. He accepted the appointment as treasurer on May 9, 2011. Mr. Kenneth Foote is the registered agent for the political committee. On May 10, 2011, the PC was registered and placed in an active status with the Division of Elections and has remained in active status since that date. The PC supports/opposes both candidates and issues. The purpose of the PC is to support economic growth, business development and gaming, and to oppose increased taxes.

2. Complainant is the Division of Elections.

3 Respondent's filing officer is Kristi Reid-Bronson, Chief, Bureau of Election Records.

II. Alleged Violation of Section 106.141(1), Florida Statutes:

4. I investigated whether Respondent violated this section of Florida's election laws by not filing his 2011 Q4 Report which was due on January 10, 2012, after receiving notice that the report was due.

5. On May 10, 2011, the committee filed an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Political Committees (DS-DE 6) form, appointing Respondent treasurer of the committee. To view a copy of Form DS-DE 6 and additional relevant documents for the political committee, refer to Exhibit 1.

6. Complainant submitted a sworn affidavit dated March 22, 2012. To review the sworn affidavit, refer to Exhibit 2.

7. By letter dated May 11, 2011, the filing officer advised Respondent that the political committee's first report was due on July 11, 2011, and all reports must be filed electronically using the Divisions' Electronic Filing System (EFS). To view a copy of the letter, refer to Exhibit 3.

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8. Respondent was informed that it is his responsibility to read, understand and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws; therefore, he was directed to print the following relevant documents: Chapter 106, *Florida Statues*; the 2010 Political Committee Handbook; the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates; and Rule 1S-2.017, *Florida Administrative Code*. (Note that this information appears in bold font in the final paragraph.) To view a copy of the letter, refer to Exhibit 3. To review the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, refer to Exhibit 4.

9 On January 12, 2012, the Division mailed Respondent notification that his 2011 Q4 Report had not been filed. On January 26, 2012, the Division mailed a second failure-to-file notice to Respondent. Both letters were mailed to Respondent's address listed on his Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository form (DS-DE 6) and not returned to the Division. To review the notice dated January 12, 2012, refer to Exhibit 2, page 3 To review the second notice, refer to Exhibit 2, page 4.

10 Based upon the History Notes—the Division's electronic communications log on February 10, 2012, Division staff, Theresa Holdeen, attempted contact with Respondent by telephone; however, the telephone number on file with the Division appeared to no longer be in service. Ms Holdeen phoned the registered agent's office and left a message with his staff regarding the committee's 2011 Q4 Report. To review the Divisions' History Notes, refer to Exhibit 2, page 2.

11. On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice with delivery confirmation to Kenneth Foote, the committee's Registered Agent To review the final notice, refer to Exhibit 2, page 5 To review the USPS track and confirm history, refer to Exhibit 2, page 6

12. Upon further investigation, it was determined that Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report 73 days late on March 23, 2011—one day after Complainant swore out the complaint. His 2011 Q4 Report listed one contribution totaling \$500 and no expenditures Respondent was fined \$125 00 by the filing officer for the *untimely* filing of his 2011 Q4 Report covering the reporting period of October 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 To view Respondent's filing history, refer to Exhibit 5 To review Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report, refer to Exhibit 6 To view a copy of Respondent's campaign finance activity, refer to Exhibit 7

13 In addition, it appears that Respondent filed *untimely* all additional reports at the time my ROI was submitted. He filed his 2011 Q2 Report—Waiver of Report—four days late; no fine was assessed by the filing officer He filed his 2011 Q3 Report—Waiver of Report—two days late; no fine was assessed by the filing officer And Respondent filed his 2012 Q1 Report two days late; the filing officer assessed a fine totaling \$100.00. (Note that Respondent has not paid or appealed to the Commission any fines imposed by the filing officer by the date of this ROI.) To view a copy of Respondent's campaign finance activity, refer to Exhibit 7. To review Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report, refer to Exhibit 6.

14. Respondent did not respond to my affidavit-questionnaire regarding the untimely filing of his 2011 Q4 Report. On May 30, 2012, I phoned Respondent and informed him that I was sending by email an affidavit-questionnaire to query Respondent about the untimely filing of his 2011 Q4 Report. I admonished Respondent to phone me if he did not receive my email and the attached affidavit-questionnaire; Respondent did not contact me by telephone or email to inform me he did not receive my affidavit-questionnaire and my email was not returned as undeliverable.

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III. FEC History:

15. Respondent has no history of additional complaints filed against him with the Commission at the time of our receipt of this complaint.

Conclusion:

16. On June 11, 2012, I phoned Respondent to conduct a final interview by telephone and give him an opportunity to respond to the information gathered during the course of the investigation concerning the allegations made in the complaint. Respondent said that he read briefly the *Political Committee Handbook*; he acknowledged that he should have read it more thoroughly

17 Based upon Respondent's filing history and campaign finance activity, it appears that Respondent filed his 2011 Q4 Report 73 days late. Respondent was assessed a fine in the amount of \$125 00 by the filing officer. As of the date of this Report of Investigation (ROI) the fine has not been paid. As previously discussed in this report in paragraph 13, all additional reports filed by Respondent were filed *untimely*. To review his filing history, refer to Exhibit 5. To review his campaign finance activity, refer to Exhibit 7.

18. The phone log reflecting all Commission staff's telephone contacts in this matter is provided as Exhibit 8.

Respectfully submitted on June 11, 2012,

Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist

Current address of Respondent

Mr Philip Nichols 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644

Name and Address of Filing Officer:

Ms. Kristi Reid-Bronson, Chief Bureau of Elections Records 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250 Current address of Complainant

Division of Elections 500 South Bronough Street, Room 316 Tallahassee, FL 32399-0250

Chair of the Committee

Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644

Copy furnished to: Mr David Flagg, Investigations Manager

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPORT OF INVESTIGATION Philip Nichols -- FEC 12-048

	LIST OF EXHIBITS
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Exhibit 1	Form DS-DE 6 and additional relevant documents for the political committee
Exhibit 2	Sworn affidavit from the filing officer with relevant documents
Exhibit 3	The filing officer's acknowledgment letter dated May 12, 2011
Exhibit 4	2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates
Exhibit 5	Respondent's filing history
Exhibit 6	Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report
Exhibit 7	Respondent's campaign finance activity
Exhibit 8	Commission staff's telephone log

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Steve Hunt	3530 Work Drive, Ft. Mye	rs, Florida 33916	Vice Presiden	t
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REGISTERED AGEN STATEMENT OF APPOINT (Section 106 022, F.S.)	-	OFFICE USE ONLY 2011 APR 29 PM 1:52
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Registered	d Agent and C	Office Information
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City Port Richey	State FL	Zip Code 34668
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Philip Nichols		<u>April 28, 2011</u>
Print Name of Chairperson Form DS-DE 41 (revised 1/09)		Date

EXHIBIT 1(4 of 4)

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA County of Leon

Theresa Holdeen, being duly sworn, says:

- 1 This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge
- 2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.
- 3. Our Fair Share for Florida (55215), a political action committee registered with the Department of State, Division of Elections, has failed to file the 2011 Q4 campaign finance report that was due on January 10, 2012.
- 4. On May 10, 2011, this organization was registered and placed in active status with the Division, and has remained active since that date. Mr. Philip Nichols is the committee's chairperson, and treasurer. Mr Kenneth Foote is the committee's registered agent.
- 5. On January 12, 2012, the Division mailed Mr Nichols notification that the 2011 Q4 report had not been filed.
- 6 On January 26, 2012, the Division mailed a second notice to Mr. Nichols regarding this report.
- 7. On February 10, 2012, I attempted contact with Mr. Nichols, the number we have on file is no longer a working number, so I contacted Mr. Foote (RA), and left a message with his receptionist about this report (See attached History Notes).
- 8. On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice with delivery confirmation to Mr. Kenneth Foote (RA). (See attached USPS confirmation of delivery)
- 9. As of March 22, 2012, the 2011 Q4 campaign finance report has not been filed.

I hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Affiant

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before/me this 22nd day of March, 2012

Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known

EXHIBIT 2 (1 of 8)

HISTORY NOTES

Our Fair Share for Florida - 55215

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registered agent to relay a message about the papercopy we received on February 3rd. 1 explained in the message that we never received a username and password request and that Mr. Nichols need to resend it.

EXHIBIT 2 (2 of 8)



FLORIDA DEPAR IMENT OF STATE Kurt S. Browning Secretary of State DIVISION OF 1:1 ECTIONS

January (2, 2012

Mr Philip Nichols Treasurer Our Lair Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, FL 33916-3916

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due January 10, 2012, has not been received.

Section (06:07(8)(b), Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file this report and that a fine will be assessed of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter \$500 per day, although a fine cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report

Once your report is filed this office will notify you of the specific amount of your fine. Fines must be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of the payment due notice.

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106. Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report the division will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission.

Section 106.265(1). Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose a civil penalty up to \$1.000 per count for each willful violation of Chapter 106.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Theresa Holdeen at (850)245-6250.

Sincerely.

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Kurt S. Browning Secretary of State DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

Second Notice

January 26, 2012

Mr. Philip Nichols, Treasurer Our Fait Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, FL 33916-3916

Dear Mr. Nichols

Your campaign treasurer's report, due January 10, 2012, has not been received

Section 106.07(8)(b). Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file a report

The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on January 12, 2012 As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report

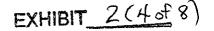
If the report is not filed via the Division's electronic filing system within 14 days of receipt of this notice, this matter will be referred to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106 265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106. Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Theresa Holdeen at (850)245-6250

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records





RICK SCOTT Governor

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FINAL NOTICE - Delivery Confirmation: 0310 3490 0000 5283 6439

February 20, 2012

Mr. Kenneth Foote, Registered Agent for Our Fair Share for Florida (55215) 6521 Ridge Road, Suite 4 Port Richey, Florida 34668

Dear Mr Foote:

According to a review of the Division's records, the organization referenced above has not filed the following report(s):

<u>Year</u>	Report.	<u>Due Date</u>
2011	Q4	1/10/2012

The organization has previously been notified of the outstanding report. Enclosed are copies of letters sent by the Division. If the report is not filed <u>within 7 days of receipt of this letter</u>, the Division will forward this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106 265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose civil penalties of up to \$1.000 per violation.

If you have any questions please call Theresa Holdeen at (850) 245-6250

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Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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pc: Mr Philip Nichols, Chairperson

Enclosure(s)



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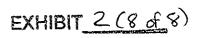


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Form DS-DE 41 (revised 1/09)





FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

Governor

KURT S. BROWNING Secretary of State

May 12, 2011

Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson Our Fair Share Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, Florida 33916

Dear Mr. Nichols:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Our Fair Share For Florida**, which were placed on file in our office on May 10, 2011 This information appears to comply with the requirements of Section 106.03, Florida Statutes, and the name of this organization has been placed on our active committee list as a political committee that supports/opposes both candidates and issues.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **July 11, 2011**. The report will cover the period of April 1 - June 30, 2011. All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's electronic filing system (EFS)

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's initial password Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. The chairperson, campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting this password from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised.

EFS Web site Address: https://efs.dos.state fl.us Identification Number: 55215

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Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update information. The enclosed sealed envelope contains confidential pin numbers for you

Each political committee chairperson is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that the password is forgotten or lost. When you enter the campaign account screen, there will be a drop down box where you pick a question (such as *What is your mother's maiden name?*) and supply an answer. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by Division staff and given out over the phone. Please notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

Timely Filing

All reports must be completed and filed through the EFS not later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date Reports not filed by midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106.07(8), Florida Statutes In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any political committee failing to file a report on the designated due date is subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each campaign treasurer's report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath by the chairperson and campaign treasurer and such persons are subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

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Mr Philip Nichols, Chairperson May 12, 2011 Page Three

Instructions and Assistance

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280

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Please let me know if you need additional information.

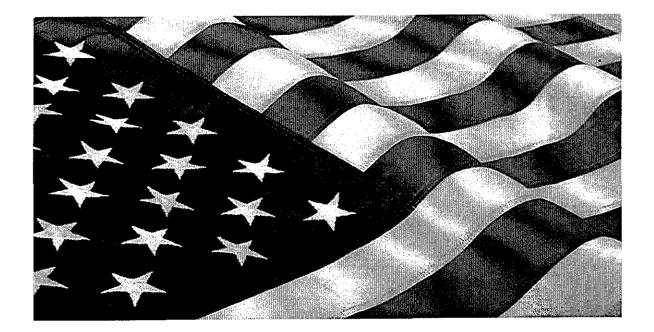
Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

KRB/ljr

Enclosures

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2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates

for candidates (2012 and 2014), party executive committees, political committees, committees of continuous existence, electioneering communication organizations, and independent expenditure organizations that file with the **Division of Elections**.

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EXHIBIT 4

FEC - Candidate/Committee Filing History Report

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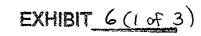
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EXHIBIT 5

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Campaign Finance Activity - Division of Elections - Florida Department of State

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Florida Department of State **Division of Elections**

Our Fair Share for Florida

Campaign Finance Activity

Note: The information presented below was obtained from the Committee's/Candidate's Campaign Treasurer's Report filed with the Division of Elections. <u>About the Campaign Finance Data Base</u>. If all contributions for a reporting period are less than 1 dollar Then they may not be displayed.

		Contributions					
	Filing Period	Monetary	Loans	InKind	Expend	Other	Transfers
W	05/10/2011 - 06/30/2011	0.00	0 00	0.00	000	0.00	0 00
W	07/01/2011 - 09/30/2011	0.00	0 00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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0	01/01/2012 - 03/31/2012	2,700.00	0.00	0.00	2,700.00	0.00	0.00
۲	All Dates (Totals)	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	2,700.00	0 00	0.00

Note: ^(E) indicates that report was filed electronically X Indicates that detail has not been released W Indicates that a waiver was filed and L Indicates that a loan report was filed

Select Detail Type Contributions Select Sort Order Date(Ascending) Select Output Type Display On Screen

Submit Query Now

Query the Campaign Finance Data Base

[Department of State] [Division of Elections] [Candidates and Races] [Campaign Finance Information]

7 EXHIBIT

http://election.dos.state.fl.us/cgi-bin/TreSel.exe

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION PHONE LOG Case No.: FEC 12-048

Respondent: Philip Nichols, Treasurer for Our Fair Share For Florida (PC)

Complainant: Division of Elections

1 **Date and time:** 05/24/12; 11:40 a.m.

Name: Respondent—Philip Nichols Phone #: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

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Entered by: HH

2 Date and time: 05/29/12; 12:30 p m Name: Trish, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-8683

Summary: I phoned and requested to speak with someone familiar with local political committees—Bernie or someone else; Trish explained that would be either Joanne or Bernie and Bernie has been busy today (calls go straight to her voice-mail) and Joanne is out to lunch but is expected back at any moment. Trish asked if I would like to be transferred to Joann's voice-mail and I said that I would. I reached Joann's voice-mail and left message requesting that she return my call regarding local political committee Our Fair Share for Lee County. Memo to File? No

Entered by: HH

3. Date and time: 05/29/12; 2:20 p m Name: Joanne, Lee County Elections Phone #: 239-533-8683

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website either. Joanne added that she did not wish to push me off on Bernie and make me feel rushed, but she is leaving soon for a doctor's appointment; she added that Bernie is currently out to lunch and she/Joanne will leave a message for Bernie saying that I had called again

Memo to File? No Entered by: HH

- 4. Date and time: 05/29/12; 3:01 p.m. Name: Ms Bernie Feliciano, Lee County Elections Phone #: UNK Summary: She returned my call and reached my voice-mail; she provided her direct telephone number: PH: 239-533-6304 Memo to File? No Entered by: HH
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 Phone #: 239-533-6304
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EXHIBIT 8 (2 of 4)

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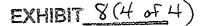
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CONFIDENTIAL Case No.: FEC 12-048

Helen Hinson to: phil

06/11/2012 12:24 PM

Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., Ste #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644

RE: Case No : FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

I have attached a copy of the <u>2012 Calendar of Reporting Dates</u> for your review. It provides the report cover period, report code, and the date each report is due. Note the link at the Division of Elections' website for 2012 is also provided for your information: http://election.dos.state.fl.us/publications/pdf/2012/2012 Political_Committee_Handbook.pdf



2012_Calendar_of_Reporting_Dates pdf

Please print and review the current <u>Calendar of Reporting Dates</u> (updated annually) that is available at the Divisions' website so that your reports may be timely filed electronically with the Division of Elections as we discussed today by telephone

Respectfully,

Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist Florida Elections Commission The Collins Building, Ste. 224 107 West Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 helen.hinson@myfloridalegal.com PH: (850) 922-4539, X-115 FAX: (850) 921-0783 www.fec state.fl.us

Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Written communications to or from me regarding state business constitute public records and are available to the public and media upon request **unless** the information is subject to a specific statutory exemption. Therefore, your e-mail message may be subject to public disclosure



2012 Calendar of Reporting Dates

(2012 legislative, judicial, state attorney and public defender candidates, political committees, committees of continuous existence, electioneering communications organizations, and independent expenditure organizations that file with the **Division of Elections**)

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07/21/12 — 08/09/12	2012 F3	08/10/12
08/10/12 – 09/14/12	2012 G1	09/21/12
09/15/12 – 09/28/12	2012 G2	10/05/12
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10/13/12 — 11/01/12	2012 G4	11/02/12
11/02/12 – 12/31/12	2012 Q4	01/10/13 *

Termination Reports

After April Qualifying	TR	07/19/12
After June Qualifying	TR	09/06/12
Primary Election	TR	11/12/12
General Election	TR	02/04/13

*Note: Q4 report not required by candidates participating in the 2012 Election

CONFIDENTIAL Case No.: FEC 12-048 Helen Hinson to: phil

05/30/2012 10:11 AM

Philip Nichols Our Fair Share for Florida 3000 Oasis Grand Blvd., #2506 Fort Myers, FL 33916-1644 PH: 770-296-0719 (cell phone)

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

The Florida Elections Commission needs additional information concerning the complaint filed against you with the Commission. Therefore, please complete the attached questionnaire, have it notarized, and return it to me by June 8, 2012.

Affidavit of R background info - FEC 12-048 docx

Section 106.26, Florida Statutes, provides the Commission with the power to subpoena witnesses and documents. However, your cooperation in responding to these questions will eliminate the need to subpoena you for deposition at this time.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions. My extension number is 115.

Respectfully,

Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist Florida Elections Commission The Collins Building, Ste. 224 107 West Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 helen.hinson@myfloridalegal.com PH: (850) 922-4539, X-115 FAX: (850) 921-0783 www.fec.state fl.us

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AFFIDAVIT OF BACKGROUND INFORMATION Case Number: FEC 12-048

STATE OF FLORIDA **County of Lee County**

Philip Nichols, being duly sworn, says:

1 This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge.

2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein. I am currently

employed by as

Have you ever run for public office? If so, please name the office(s) you ran for and the 3. date(s) of the election(s) you ran in.

Have you ever been appointed to act as a campaign treasurer for a candidate? If so, 4. please name the candidate(s) you served as treasurer, the office(s) the candidate ran for, and the dates of the election(s)

Have you ever held the office of chairperson, treasurer, board member, or a similar 5. position for a political committee other than Our Fair Share for Florida? If so, please list the names and addresses of the committees and dates when you held the position(s).

Have you ever held the office of chairperson, treasurer, board member, or other similar б. position for a committee of continuous existence? (Committee of continuous existence is defined in Section 106 04, Florida Statutes) If so, please list the name and addresses of the committees and dates when you held the position.

Have you ever prepared or signed a campaign treasurer's report? If so, please list the 7. name of the candidate or committee whose report you prepared or signed.

8 Please identify the position(s) you hold for the political committee Our Fair Share for Lee County.

9. What action have you taken to determine your responsibilities under Florida's election laws?

10.	Do you possess a copy of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes?	Yes	🗌 No
11.	If so, when did you first obtain it?		
12.	Have you read Chapter 106, Florida Statutes?	🗌 Yes	🗌 No
13.	Do you possess a copy of Chapter 104, Florida Statutes?	🗌 Yes	🗌 No
14.	If so, when did you first obtain it?		
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16.	Do you possess a copy of the Political Committee Handbook?	🗌 Yes	🗌 No
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18.	Have you read the Political Committee Handbook?	Yes	🗌 No
19. dated	Did you print and review the materials as directed by the filing May 11, 2011? Yes No	officer in he	r letter to you
20.	Did you review any materials at the Division of Elections' webs	ite? 🗌 Ye	s 🗌 No
21.	If so, please list the materials you reviewed at the Division of El	ection's wel	osite
22.	List any materials you received from the filing officer (the	Division of	of Elections).

- 23. Did you review the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No
- 24. Did you review the 2012 Calendar of Reporting Dates? 🗌 Yes 🗍 No

25. Information from the Division of Elections reflects the following:

Respondent Philip Nichols is the treasurer and chairman of the political committee (PC), Our Fair Share for Florida He accepted the appointment as treasurer on May 9, 2011. Mr. Kenneth Foote is the registered agent for the political committee

On May 10, 2011, the PC was registered and placed in an active status with the Division of Elections and has remained in active status since that date. The PC supports/opposes both candidates and issues. The purpose of the PC is to support economic growth, business development and gaming, and to oppose increased taxes.

By letter dated May 11, 2011, the filing officer advised Respondent that the political committee's first report was due on July 11, 2011, and all reports must be filed electronically using the Divisions' Electronic Filing System (EFS).

Respondent was admonished to read, understand and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws Respondent was directed to print the following relevant documents: Chapter 106, *Florida Statues*; the 2010 Political Committee Handbook; the 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates; and Rule 1S-2 017, *Florida Administrative Code*, which includes the reporting requirements for campaign treasurer's reports (Note that this information appears in **bold** font in the final paragraph of her letter.)

Respondent's 2011 Q4 Report covering the period of October 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 was due on January 10, 2012 and was required to be filed electronically with the filing officer.

On January 12, 2012, the Division mailed Respondent notification that his 2011 Q4 Report had not been filed On January 26, 2012, the Division mailed a second failure-to-file notice to Respondent regarding his 2011 Q4 Report. Both letters were mailed to Respondent's address listed on his Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository form (DS-DE 6) and not returned to the Division

On February 10, 2012, Theresa Holdeen, staff with the Division of Elections, attempted contact with Respondent by telephone; however, the telephone number on file with the Division appears to be no longer in service. Ms Holdeen phoned the registered agent's office and left a message with his staff regarding the political committee's 2011 Q4 Report

On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice with delivery confirmation to Kenneth Foote, the committee's Registered Agent.

On March 23, 2012, Respondent filed electronically his 2011 Q4 Report 73 days late. The filing officer imposed a fine in the amount of \$125.00. As of May 29, 2012, the fine has not been paid to the Division of Elections.

Please explain in detail why your 2011 Q4 Report was not filed timely with the filing officer on or before January 10, 2012.

26. Please explain why the automatic fine in the amount of \$125.00 for the untimely filing of your 2011 Q4 Report has not been paid to the Division of Elections or appealed to the Florida Elections Commission.

27 Based upon the filing date of your 2011 Q2 Report, 2011 Q3 Report and 2012 Q1 Report, if appears that none of your reports to date have been filed timely with the filing officer. Please explain in detail why your additional reports were not filed timely with the filing officer.

28 Please describe your duties as campaign treasurer for the political committee Our Fair Share for Florida Include in your response answers to the following questions: Who is responsible for maintaining the checkbook and writing all checks? Who is responsible for entering the contributions and expenditures on the campaign treasurer's report that is filed electronically with the Division of Elections using the EFS? Who is responsible for ensuring the accuracy of all campaign treasurers' reports? Who is responsible for the timely filing of the campaign treasurer's reports with the filing officer?

29 Please explain what corrective action has been taken to ensure that the political committee's campaign treasurer's reports will be filed timely in the future with the Division of Elections

30. Please provide in the space below any additional comments you deem relevant to this investigation.

I HEREBY SWEAR OR AFFIRM THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. Signature of Affiant Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this ______day of _____, 2012

Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known _____ or Produced Identification _____

Type of Identification Produced:

Case Investigator: HH

PAC # 55215 - Our Fair Share for Florida Helen Hinson to: Mynard, Joel Cc: JMynard

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RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

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I wish to obtain a copy (by email is fine) of the committee's **2011 Q4 Report** including the Summary Page, and contribution and expenditure pages. Thank you in advance for your assistance in resolving this matter.

Respectfully,

Helen Hinson Investigation Specialist Florida Elections Commission The Collins Building, Ste 224 107 West Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 helen.hinson@myfloridalegal.com PH: (850) 922-4539, X-115 FAX: (850) 921-0783 www.fec.state.fl.us

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RE: PAC # 55215 - Our Fair Share for Florida Mynard, Joel to: Helen Hinson

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Helen,

The report is attached.

Sincerely,

Joel Mynard

Florida is headed in the right direction! View Florida's Jobs Growth Chart: http://www.flgov.com/photoview/jobcreationchart_jpg The Department of State is leading the commemoration of Florida's 500th anniversary in 2013. For more information, please go to www.fla500.com. The Department of State is committed to excellence. Please take our Customer Satisfaction Survey: http://survey_dos_state_fl_us/index_aspx?email=Joel_Mynard@DOS_MyFlorida_com ----Original Message-----From: Helen Hinson [mailto:Helen_Hinson@myfloridalegal_com] Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2012 3:20 PM To: Mynard, Joel Cc: Mynard, Joel Subject: PAC # 55215 - Our Fair Share for Florida

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(1) Our Fair Share for Florida	(2) 55215
Candidate, Committe or Party Name	I.D. Number
(3) 3000 Grand Oasis Blvd #2506	Fort Myers FL 33916
Address (number and street) Check box if address has changed since last report	City State Zip Code
(4) Check appropriate box(es):	
 Candidate (office sought): Political Committee Committee of Continuous Existance Party Executive Committee 	Check If PC has DISBANDED Check If CCE has DISBANDED
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(6) CONTRIBUTIONS THIS REPORT	(7) EXPENDITURES THIS REPORT
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Signature	Signature





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Committee Tracking System

Our Fair Share for Florida

Type:Political CommitteeStatus:ActiveAddress:3000 Grand Oasis Blvd #2506
Fort Myers, FL 33916Phone:(239)770-5361Chairperson:Philip NicholsTreasurer:Philip NicholsRegistered Agent:Kenneth Foote
6521 Ridge Road Suite 4
Port Richey, FL 346680000Purpose:Affiliates:

Campaign Finance Activity

Campaign Documents

Our Fair Share for Florida

3000 Grand Oasis Blvd. 32506 Fort Myers, FL 33916

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To: Department of State Division of Elections Bureau of Election Records Room 316, R A Gray Building 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

On January 9, 2012, I called your office to ascertain The Username, Password, and appropriate PIN's to file our Q4, report with your office. I then faxed a request you your office and received no information

We are a very small organization and recently moved our offices and would like to file our Q4 report with your office. As I have no other way to file, I am including with this letter the appropriate DSDE12 and DSDE13 forms.

I am aware that this report is late however due to our recent move and the fact that we have made attempts to file this report online but did not have the necessary PIN's and passwords, I would ask that your office wave any fees or fines associated with this filing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Philip Nichols President/Treasurer

Our Fair Share for Florida

3000 Grand Oasis Blvd. 32506 Fort Myers, FL 33916

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Department of State To: **Division of Elections Bureau of Election Records** Room 316, R.A. Gray Building 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Philip Nichols

March 23, 2011

As per a conversation yesterday with a DOS employee I need to get the username and Pin numbers for the Our Fair Share for Florida PAC. Please call 770-296-0719.

Philip Nichols President/Treasurer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

RICK SCOTT Governor KURT S. BROWNING Secretary of State

May 12, 2011

Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson Our Fair Share Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, Florida 33916

Dear Mr. Nichols:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Organization and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for **Our Fair Share For Florida**, which were placed on file in our office on May 10, 2011. This information appears to comply with the requirements of Section 106.03, Florida Statutes, and the name of this organization has been placed on our active committee list as a political committee that supports/opposes both candidates and issues.

Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Your first campaign treasurer's report will be due on **July 11, 2011** The report will cover the period of April 1 - June 30, 2011 All political committees that file reports with the Division of Elections are required to file by means of the Division's electronic filing system (EFS)

Credentials and Sign-ons

Below is the web address to access the EFS and the committee's user identification number. The enclosed sealed envelope contains the committee's initial password. Once you have logged in using the initial password, you will be immediately prompted to change it to a confidential sign-on. The chairperson, campaign treasurer, and deputy treasurers are responsible for protecting this password from disclosure and are responsible for all filings using these credentials, unless the Division is notified that your credentials have been compromised

EFS Web site Address: https://efs.dos.state.fl.us Identification Number: 55215

Division of Elections R. A. Gray Building, Room 316 • 500 South Bronough Street • Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250 Telephone: (850) 245-6200 • Facsimile: (850) 245-6217 http://elections.myflorida.com Mr. Philip Nichols, Chairperson May 12, 2011 Page Two

Pin Numbers

Pin numbers are confidential secure credentials that allow you to submit reports and update information. The enclosed sealed envelope contains confidential pin numbers for you

Each political committee chairperson is required to provide the Division of Elections with confidential personal information that may be used to allow access in the event that the password is forgotten or lost. When you enter the campaign account screen, there will be a drop down box where you pick a question (such as *What is your mother 's maiden name?*) and supply an answer. All passwords and answers to questions are stored as encrypted data and cannot be viewed by Division staff and given out over the phone. Please notify the Division if your credentials have been compromised.

Timely Filing

All reports must be completed and filed through the EFS not later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date. Reports not filed by midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the due date are late filed and subject to the penalties in Section 106 07(8), Florida Statutes. In the event that the EFS is inoperable on the due date, the report will be accepted as timely filed if filed no later than midnight, Eastern Standard Time, of the first business day the EFS becomes operable. No fine will be levied during the period the EFS was inoperable.

Any political committee failing to file a report on the designated due date is subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Electronic Receipts

The person submitting the report on the EFS will be issued an electronic receipt indicating and verifying the report was filed. Each campaign treasurer's report filed by means of the EFS is considered to be under oath by the chairperson and campaign treasurer and such persons are subject to the provisions of Section 106.07(5), Florida Statutes.

Mr Philip Nichols, Chairperson May 12, 2011 Page Three

Instructions and Assistance

An online instruction guide is available to you on the EFS to assist with navigation, data entry, and submission of reports. The Division of Elections will also provide assistance to all users by contacting the EFS Help Desk at (850) 245-6280.

All of the Division's publications and reporting forms are available on the Division of Elections' web site at http://elections.myflorida.com. It is your responsibility to read, understand, and follow the requirements of Florida's election laws. Therefore, please print a copy of the following documents: Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, 2010 Political Committee Handbook, 2011 Calendar of Reporting Dates, and Rule 1S-2.017, Florida Administrative Code.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief Bureau of Election Records

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Enclosures

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Chapter 17 Florida Elections Commission

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Automatic Fine Appeal Process

A political committee may appeal or dispute a fine for a late filed campaign treasurer's report. The appeal must be based upon, but not limited to, unusual circumstances surrounding the failure to file on the designated due date. The political committee may request and is entitled to a hearing before the Florida Elections Commission, which has the authority to waive the fine in whole or in part. The Florida Elections Commission must consider the mitigating and aggravating circumstances contained in Section 106.265(1), F.S., when determining the amount of a fine, if any, to be waived. The appeal must be made within 20 days of the receipt of the notice of payment due. The committee must, within the 20 day period, notify the filing officer in writing of his or her intention to bring the matter before the Commission.

(Section 106 07(8)(c), F.S.)

Complaint Process

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(Sections 106.25 and 106.28, F.S.)

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Exclusive: Odds are, casino debate on way

A group led by Miami Heat president Pat Riley is putting on a full-court press for a 1,500 hotel room and gaming resort stretching from Colonial Boulevard to State Road 82 just east of Interstate 75 in Fort Myers.

But is Riley's power drive toward the goal a slam dunk or a low percentage shot?

As the 2012 Legislature's winter session approaches, partisans in the casino gambling wars are choosing up sides.

On one side: those who say gaming would bring jobs and tax revenue to a state where gambling is allowed in every Publix and 7-Eleven

On the other: opponents fearful gambling could forever destroy the Sunshine State's family-friendly reputation

Which team prevails could determine whether Riley succeeds or fails.

Meanwhile, Riley's team in Fort Myers is pushing forward with a petition drive that would put a referendum on the November 2012 ballot amending Lee County's charter to allow a casino if the state grants a permit If voters choose to change the charter, it would not require approval of the county commission.

Idea's time?

Mike Horn, president of Fort Myers-based Champion Development, has worked for Riley for more than 10 years developing The Forum, the mixed-use community where the resort would be.

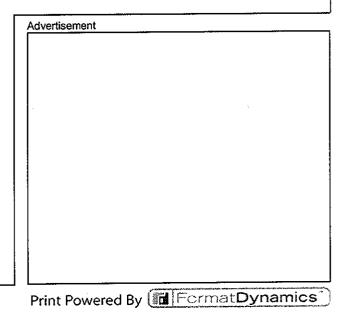
It's an idea whose time has come, he said.

"We've got the all the infrastructure in place, the zoning, the easy access on and off, and I've allocated enough land that it's not going to be jammed up with congestion," Horn said. "We should be able to handle the traffic and employment."

Most important, he said, the resort would bring a jolt of energy to the hard-hit construction sector of the local economy

More than 10,000 jobs over three years would be created to build the resort, Horn said.

"A lot of people in Lehigh Acres will be able to get jobs," he said.



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All that hinges on whether the Legislature allows casinos statewide.

At the moment, casino gambling exists only on Indian reservations in Florida, with a few minor exceptions in Miami-Dade and Broward counties

That could be changing, and fast: An appeals court Thursday gave the go-ahead for the Legislature to approve casinos statewide.

State Sen. Dennis Jones, R-Seminole, is chairman of the Senate Regulated Industries Committee, which would handle any casino bill. He favors legislation that allows local referendums to decide where casinos would go.

He doesn't believe the Legislature should try to dictate where casinos open or how many there are. He says the free market should decide that.

"I would think certainly anyone who's going to spend \$2 billion or more is going to do a market analysis," Jones said. "That's a foregone conclusion. We're dealing with people highly sophisticated in their business models "

Approaches

Jones acknowledges, however, that while the Senate may well go with that approach, the House is a different matter.

"I would be surprised if there was any serious discussion about expanding gambling throughout the state," said state Rep. Gary Aubuchon, R-Cape Coral. "I can tell you that I would not be in favor of that and generally the House has been conservative in its approach to gambling and has largely looked unfavorably on any measure that would expand gambling."

His personal stance: "I'm absolutely opposed to the expansion of gambling throughout the state of Florida."

Statewide gambling, he said, "does not dovetail with the family-friendly experience. It would alter the way Florida is perceived worldwide. I think it would cause irreparable harm to the tourism industry."

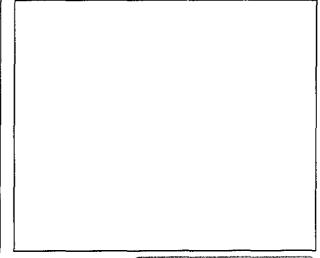
In fact, Aubuchon said, any expansion might provoke a pre-emptive strike by opponents: a state constitutional amendment that would freeze casinos in their tracks permanently.

Another state representative, Matt Caldwell, R-Lehigh Acres, had a different perspective.

"I'm more inclined to let the voters make those decisions," he said.

It's important, he said, to keep that option open under any plan the Legislature approves.

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"If we do have a gambling bill," Caldwell said, "I'm going to advocate strongly for a location to be licensed in Lee County, even if we never use it."

If the Legislature allows casinos statewide, the result could be Florida at last gets to crack the lucrative trade show industry, Jones said.

A major trade show or convention needs a minimum of 1,500 hotel rooms and 500,000 square feet of exhibit space, he said, and that's not feasible without a gaming component.

Commercial real estate broker Randy Thibaut of Fort Myers-based Land Solutions, marketing the unsold land in The Forum, said Riley's project would be able to handle that level of meeting and more.

He noted there's 60 acres of adjacent Forum land that could be used for more hotel space and off-site service industries, and the beaches and the riverfront downtown Fort Myers district make this an attractive destination for conventions.

LOCAL VOICES

Here are some local officials' opinions on bringing casino gambling to Southwest Florida:

FORT MYERS WARD 6 CITY COUNCILMAN THOMAS LEONARDO:

"Seldom is a city offered such a 'silver bullet' to jump-start its economy and add substantial value to its tax base. If built, a Las Vegas-type casino would be a 'win win' situation for the city of Fort Myers, for Lee County, and for the entire region of Southwest Florida."

LEE COUNTY SHERIFF MIKE SCOTT:

"Florida and Lee County specifically is no stranger to gambling. We have had a parimutuel greyhound racing track here in our backyard for many years _____enhanced to include poker and simulcast horse racing. Florida has had jai alai, bingo, lotto for years along with 24/7 gaming facilities like the Seminole Hard Rock, 50/50 raffles at every event and of course the 'Vegas-style' gaming cafes that are on every corner. To somehow suggest that a destination point with a casino is automatically a bad thing seems a bit hypocritical to me."

CECIL PENDERGRASS, PRESIDENT, GULF COAST CHAPTER, FLORIDA POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION:

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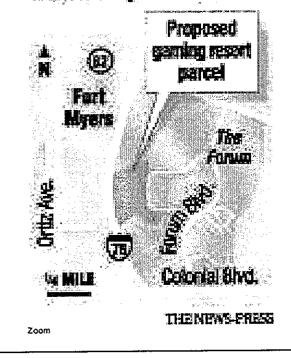
thousands of direct and indirect jobs will be created for construction of the new facilities as well as for running the destination resort after construction completion, providing long-term employment opportunities. This is what Southwest Florida needs to stimulate its stagnant economy."

LEE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN FRANK MANN:

"I think casino gambling would so totally alter the character of Lee County, and not necessarily to the good, that I think it would have a negative effect on our lifestyle."

Rolling the dice

The proposed resort headed by Miami Heat president Pat Riey could be built if focal voters approve and the Legislature drafts a bill that allows casinos throughout the state.



Seminole pact may hinder casinos Tribe has exclusive agreement in state

By DICK HOGAN dhogan@news-press.com

One potential obstacle to statewide casinos is an agreement the state made two years ago with the Seminole Indian tribe to let it keep a monopoly on the industry. Each year the tribe pays the state a

predetermined amount in exchange for exclusivity. Any expansion beyond a few minor exceptions in South Florida would cancel that contract.

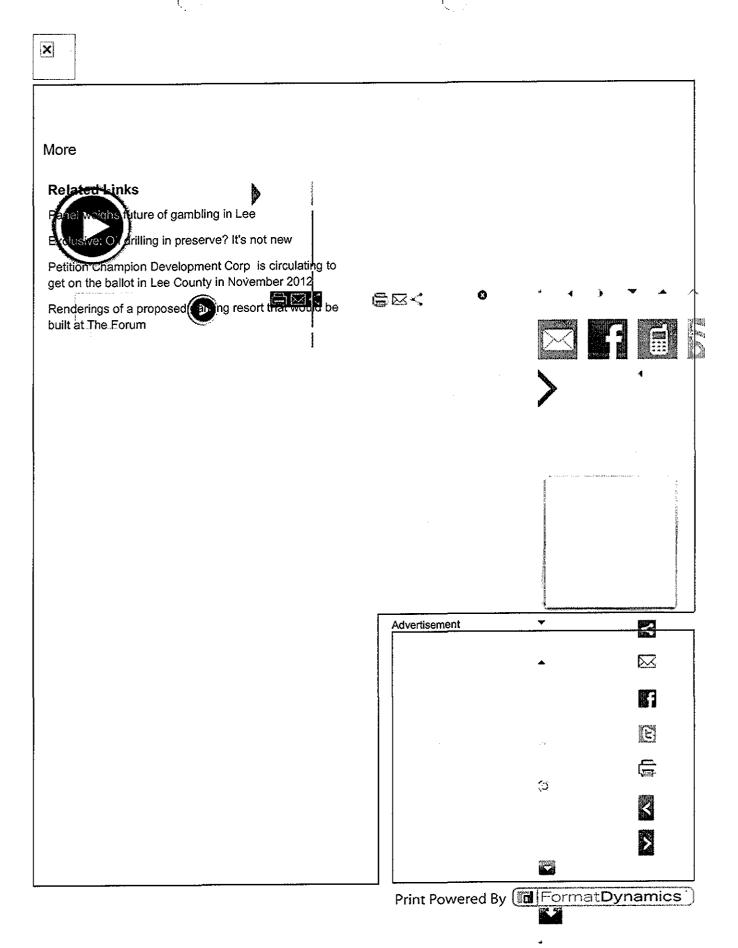
For example, the tribes will pay the state more than \$230 million next year for exclusivity, said state Sen. Dennis Jones, R-Seminole, chairman of the Senate Regulated Industries Committee which will handle any gambling bills in the legislative session that starts in January. "What makes most sense, I think, is for the Legislature to talk to the Seminoles," said Barry Richard, a Tallahassee-based attorney for the tribe.

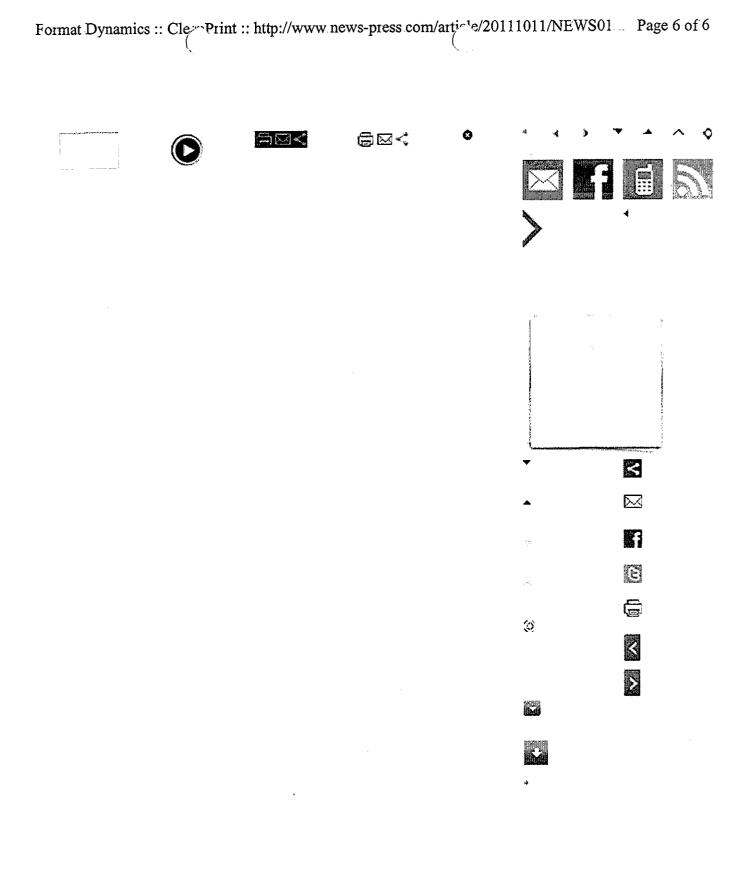
Federal law prohibits the tribe from sharing revenue except in return for exclusivity, he said. But Jones said there are ways to structure statewide gambling that wouldn't cause a lapse in the flow of gambling money. For example, he said, the law could require new

For example, he said, the law could require new casinos to get their certificate of occupancy before their gaming license

That way, there'd be no pause in revenues while the new casinos were being built

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LEE COUNTY - It looks like voters won't have a say on gaming in Lee County. There weren't enough signatures to get the proposal on November's ballot, but organizers say they aren't giving up

The political committee pushing to get this issue before voters, Our Fair Share for Florida, collected almost 25 000 signatures the first time around but not all of them held up to scrutiny They came up short in the end

NBC2's Jennifer Trammell: Did you expect to really make it the first time?"

Phil Nichols, Champion Development: "It sounds a lot easier than it really is when you get down to it "

Speaking to us by phone from out-of-state, Developer Phil Nichols says he's not giving up on bringing a 300,000-square-foot resort to The Forum In Lee County. The plan is for a convention center, six acres of retail space and restaurants. The main focus is a casino.

"Lee County has season and baseball has a month This would be a year-round stimulus." Nichols said of the project

At this point, it can't move forward

They did not get enough valid signatures to get the issue put on the ballot for this year." Supervisor of Elections Sharon Harrington said

They needed 24.304 valid signatures from registered Lee county voters. The group brought forward more than that with 24.753 petition forms for validation but only 20.132 held up to scrutiny

The Office of Elections had to toss out 18.67 percent of the signatures

"Actually, we thought that was kind of high," Harrington said. Typical petition drives have about 10 percent of signatures revoked. In this case, some signers weren't registered in Lee County and 9 15 percent were duplicates.



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"Some of them even looked like they may have been written out and signed by the person that was gathering the signatures," Harrington said

Nichols says the first time around was a learning experience for round two, and Lee County voters will eventually get a chance to have their say

"It's pretty tedious work and I think that we did a really good job the first time " Nichols said "I'm certainly looking forward to beginning the second."

The political committee plans to re-file paperwork this week, but Harrington says the signature deadline has already passed. Based on deadlines presented by the county attorney's office, it will be a tight -- if not impossible -- timeline to get on the ballot this year. That means the issue will have to wait until the next general election in 2014

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May 18, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL 70041160000491864924

Mr. Kenneth Foote, Registered Agent Our Fair Share for Florida 6521 Ridge Road, Suite 4 Port Richey, Florida 34668

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr Foote:

On March 28, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received a complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws (previously provided to you). I have reviewed the complaint and find that it contains one or more legally sufficient allegations. Along with all allegations in the complaint, the Commission staff will investigate the following alleged violation:

Section 106.07(1), Florida Statutes: Philip Nichols, treasurer for Our Fair Share for Florida, failed to file his 2011 Q4 Campaign Finance Report that was due on January 10, 2012, as alleged in the referral from the Division of Elections.

You may respond to the allegation above by filing a notarized statement providing any information regarding the facts and circumstances surrounding the allegation. If you choose to file a response to the alleged violation, you should do so within 20 days of the date you receive this letter. Your response will be included as an attachment to the investigator's report.

When we conclude the investigation, you will receive a copy of the Report of Investigation You may file a response to the report within 14 days from the date the report is mailed to you. Based on the results of the investigation, legal staff will make a written recommendation to the Commission on whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes. You will receive a copy of the Staff Recommendation and may file a response within 14 days from the date the recommendation is mailed to you. Your timely filed response(s) will be considered by the Commission when determining probable cause.

The Commission will then hold a hearing to determine whether there is probable cause to believe you have violated Chapter 104 or 106, Florida Statutes You and the complainant will receive a notice of hearing at least 14 days before the hearing. The notice of hearing will indicate the location, date, and time of your hearing. You will have the opportunity to make a brief oral statement to the Commission, but you will not be permitted to testify or call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence. The Commission also may allow the complainant to make a brief oral statement.

At any time before a probable cause finding, you may notify us in writing that you want to enter into negotiations directed towards reaching a settlement via consent agreement.

The Report of Investigation, Staff Recommendation, and Notice of Hearing will be mailed to the same address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify the investigator assigned to this case of your new address. Otherwise, you may not receive the correspondence from the staff. Failure to receive the documents will not delay the probable cause hearing.

Under section 106.25, Florida Statutes, complaints, Commission investigations, investigative reports, and other documents relating to an alleged violation of Chapters 104 and 106, Florida Statutes, are <u>confidential</u> until the Commission finds probable cause or no probable cause. The confidentiality provision does not apply to the person filing the complaint. However, it does apply to you, the Respondent, unless you waive confidentiality in writing. The confidentiality provision does not preclude you from seeking legal counsel. However, if you retain counsel, your attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Commission before any member of the Commission staff can discuss this case with him or her.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Helen Hinson, the investigator assigned to this case, at extension 115

Sincerely,

Rosanna Catalano Executive Director

cc: Division of Elections, Complainant

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April 20, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL 70041160000491864269 (2ND MAILING)

Mr. Kenneth Foote, Registered Agent Our Fair Share for Florida 6521 Ridge Road, Suite 4 Port Richey, Florida 34668

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr Foote

On March 28, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received the enclosed complaint alleging that Philip Nichols, Treasurer of Our Fair Share for Florida, violated Florida's election laws. This notice is being provided to you as their registered agent. Section 106 25(2), Florida Statutes states:

The respondent shall have 14 days after receipt of the complaint to file an initial response, and the executive director may not determine the legal sufficiency of the complaint during that time period.

If you choose to file a response to the complaint, please send it to my attention at the address listed above. To ensure that I receive your response in a timely manner, you may also want to send it via e-mail to my attention, at <u>fec@myfloridalegal.com</u>. You will be notified by letter whether the complaint is determined legally sufficient. Please note that all correspondence from this office will be mailed to the same address as this letter. Therefore, if your address changes, you must notify us of your new address.

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Sincerely,

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Donna Ann Malphurs Agency Clerk

Enclosure: Complaint w/attachments



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March 28, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL 70040750000416183369

Mr. Philip Nichols, Treasurer Our Fair Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, FL 33916-3916

RE: Case No.: FEC 12-048

Dear Mr. Nichols:

On March 28, 2012, the Florida Elections Commission received the enclosed complaint alleging that you violated Florida's election laws. Section 106.25(2), Florida Statutes states:

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Our Fair Share for Florida

Chairman:Philip NicholsTreasurer:Philip Nichols√Registered Agent:Kenneth Foote

The Division of Elections is referring this issue to the Florida Elections Commission pursuant to s 106.07(8)(d), F.S., which requires the filing officer to notify the FEC of a committee's alleged failure to file reports as set forth in the notification

2011 Q4

Sent By: Erin Nesmith Gr Date: March 22, 2012

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA County of Leon

Theresa Holdeen, being duly sworn, says:

- 1 This affidavit is made upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am of legal age and competent to testify to the matters stated herein.
- 3. **Our Fair Share for Florida (55215)**, a political action committee registered with the Department of State, Division of Elections, has failed to file the 2011 Q4 campaign finance report that was due on January 10, 2012.
- 4 On May 10, 2011, this organization was registered and placed in active status with the Division, and has remained active since that date. Mr Philip Nichols is the committee's chairperson, and treasurer. Mr. Kenneth Foote is the committee's registered agent.
- 5 On January 12, 2012, the Division mailed Mr. Nichols notification that the 2011 Q4 report had not been filed
- 6. On January 26, 2012, the Division mailed a second notice to Mr. Nichols regarding this report.
- 7 On February 10, 2012, I attempted contact with Mr Nichols, the number we have on file is no longer a working number, so I contacted Mr Foote (RA), and left a message with his receptionist about this report. (See attached History Notes)
- 8 On February 20, 2012, the Division mailed a final notice with delivery confirmation to Mr. Kenneth Foote (RA). (See attached USPS confirmation of delivery).
- 9. As of March 22, 2012, the 2011 Q4 campaign finance report has not been filed

I hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

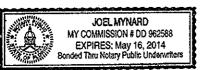
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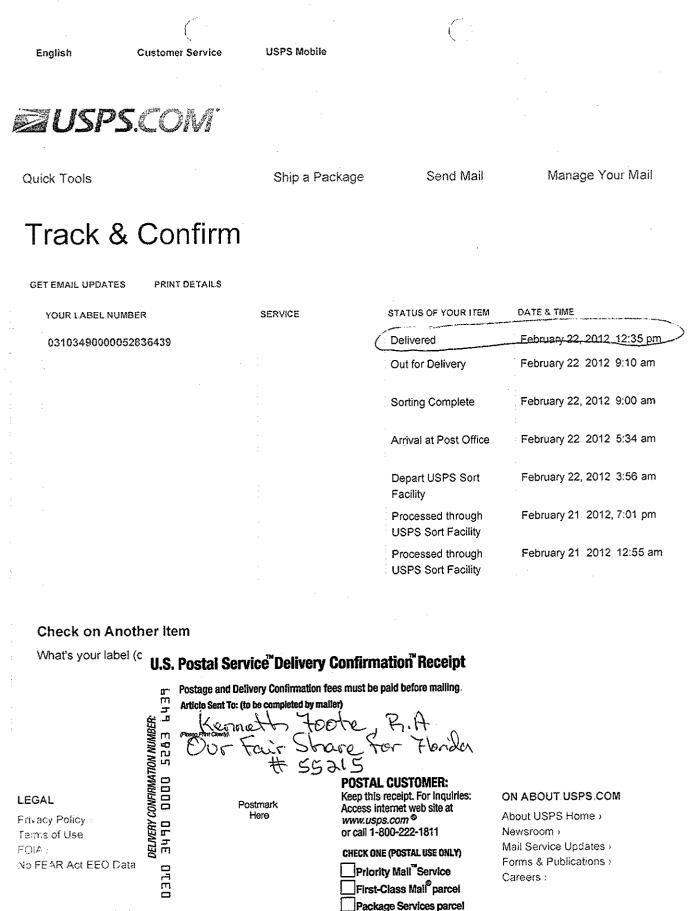
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February 20. 2012

Mr Kenneth Foote, Registered Agent for Our Fair Share for Florida (55215) 6521 Ridge Road, Suite 4 Port Richey, Florida 34668

Deal Mr. Foote:

According to a review of the Division's records, the organization referenced above has not filed the following report(s):

<u>Year</u>	Report	<u>Due Date</u>
2011	Q4	1/10/2012

The organization has previously been notified of the outstanding report Enclosed are copies of letters sent by the Division. If the report is not filed <u>within 7 days of receipt of this letter</u>, the Division will forward this matter to the Florida Elections Commission for further action Section 106 265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation

If you have any questions please call Theresa Holdeen at (850) 245-6250

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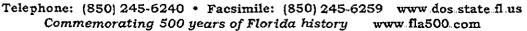
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Second Notice

January 26, 2012

Mr. Philip Nichols, Treasurer Our Fair Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, FL 33916-3916

Dear Mr. Nichols

Your campaign treasurer's report, due January 10, 2012, has not been received

Section 106 (17(8)(b). Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file a report

The first notice of the failure to file the above mentioned report was mailed, via regular mail, to the address on file with our office on January 12, 2012. As of this date, we do not show a record of receiving this report.

If the report is not filed via the Division's electronic filing system within 14 days of receipt of this notice, this matter will be referred to the Florida Elections Commission for further action. Section 106 265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission, upon finding a willful violation of Chapter 106. Florida Statutes, to impose a civil penalty up to \$1,000 per count

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact. Theresa Holdeen at (850)245-6250

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Mr. Philip Nichols, freasurer Out Fair Share for Florida 3530 Work Drive Fort Myers, FL 33916-3916

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Your campaign treasurer's report, which was due January 10, 2012, has not been received

Section (06.07(8)(b). Florida Statutes, requires that the filing officer immediately notify you of the failure to file this report and that a fine will be assessed of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter \$500 per day, although a fine cannot exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

Once your report is filed this office will notify you of the specific amount of your fine. Fines must be paid to the filing officer within 20 days of receipt of the payment due notice

Please be advised, however, that failure to file a campaign treasurer's report may constitute a violation of Chapter 106. Florida Statutes, independent of the automatic fine violation referenced above. Therefore, if you fail to file a report the division will turn the matter over to the Florida Elections Commission.

Section 406.265(1), Florida Statutes, authorizes the Florida Elections Commission to impose a civil penalty up to \$1.000 per count for each willful violation of Chapter 106

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Theresa Holdeen at (850)245-6250

Sincerely.

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Committee or	Organiza	tion Information		
Name of Committee or Organization Our Fair Share for Florida				
Street Address 3530 Work Drive Telephone 239-770-2361				
City Fort Myers State FL		Zip Code 33916		
Committee or organization is registered with:				
Division of Elections County	Division of Elections			
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Signature of Chairperson				
Philip Nichols		April 28, 2011		
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