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**Response Due Date**  
**11/20/2017**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00656553

REFERENCE: STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 6 item(s):

1. Your committee has checked boxes and/or completed information for Lines 5(d), 5(e), and 5(h) of your Statement of Organization (FEC Form 1). Please be advised that you should only fill out information for one (1) box on Line 5. Please amend your Statement of Organization to clarify these apparent discrepancies.

If your committee is not responsible for the day-to-day operation of a political party, then do not complete Line 5(d). If your committee is a separate segregated fund, please complete Line 5(e). If your committee is a joint fundraising representative, please complete Line 5(h). Please refer to 52 U.S.C. §30101 & §30103 (formerly 2 U.S.C. §431 & §433) and 11 CFR §102.2 and the instructions for the Statement of Organization (FEC FORM 1) for further information.

2. Your Statement of Organization indicates in Line 5(d) that you are a national committee. A national committee is defined as the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day to day operation of the political party at the national level, as determined by the Commission. (52 U.S.C. §30101(14) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §431(14)))

Please be advised that before using the contribution limits and/or statutes applicable for national parties, your committee must petition the Commission in the form of an advisory opinion to determine if it satisfies the criteria for

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national party status. (See Advisory Opinion 1995-16 on the FEC website at <http://www.fec.gov>)

**3.** Your committee has checked box 5(d) and has provided information that it is a national party committee. However, your committee has not identified a specific party. Please amend your Statement of Organization to provide the abbreviation for the party organization it is affiliated with. If your committee is not responsible for the day-to-day operation of a political party, please amend your Statement of Organization to clarify your committee type. Please refer to 11 CFR §102.2 and the instructions for the Statement of Organization (FEC FORM 1) for further information.

**4.** Line 6 of your Statement of Organization indicates that "National Assistance Committee," "National Veterans Committee," National Troopers & Police Committee," National Breast Cancer Committee," and "Americans Autism Relief Fund" are the connected organizations for your Committee. Please be advised that a connected organization is any organization which 1) is not a political committee and 2) directly or indirectly establishes, administers, or financially supports a political committee. This type of organization includes a corporation, corporation without capital stock, labor organization, membership organization, a cooperative, or a trade association. For further guidance on the question of connected organizations, please refer to 11 CFR §100.6.

If your committee is jointly sponsored by these entities, the full names of these organizations must appear in the name of your committee. (See Advisory Opinions 1988-42 and 1988-14) However, if your committee is not jointly sponsored, and one of these organizations represents a parent company or subsidiary of your connected organization, you need not include its name in the name of your committee. Please provide further clarifying information concerning the relationship between these apparent connected organizations, with regard to your separate segregated fund. (11 CFR §102.14(c))

**5.** Line 6 indicates that your committee's connected organization is "National Assistance Committee," "National Veterans Committee," National Troopers & Police Committee," National Breast Cancer Committee," and "Americans Autism Relief Fund"; however, Line 5 indicates that your committee may not be a separate segregated fund. A separate segregated fund is a political committee established, financed, maintained or controlled by a corporation, labor organization, membership organization, cooperative or trade association.

If your committee is a separate segregated fund, an amended Statement of Organization should be submitted which indicates the appropriate Type of

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Committee and Type of Connected Organization on Line 5(e).

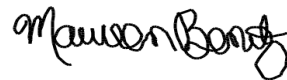
If your committee is not a separate segregated fund, then you should not have listed any connected organization and should amend your Statement of Organization to clarify this discrepancy. (52 U.S.C. §30103(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §433(b)) and 11 CFR §102.2(b))

6. Line 5(h) of your Statement of Organization indicates that you are a joint fundraising representative for two or more political committees/organizations, none of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate. However, you failed to disclose any participants. Please amend your Statement of Organization to disclose any joint fundraising participants. 11 CFR §102.17(a)(1)(i)

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1147.

Sincerely,



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