

### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

September 17, 2010

Yushan Han, Treasurer California Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Association 1050 E Yorba Linda Blvd. #101 Placentia, CA 92870

Response Due Date: October 22, 2010

Identification Number: C00456723

Reference: Amended Mid-Year Report (1/1/09 - 6/30/09), received 4/30/10

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 3 items:

- 1. Your amended report discloses additional receipts totaling \$20,168.07 on Line(s) 11(a)(i) and 17 of the Detailed Summary Page that were not disclosed on your original report. Please provide clarifying information as to why this activity was not disclosed on your original report. 11 CFR §104.3
- 2. Schedule A of your report discloses one or more contributions totaling \$22,600.00 from "AKAMAC," "North American Oriental and Western Medicine Academy, Inc.," "CA Alliance of Acupuncture Medicine," "CA Acupuncture Medicine Association," and "Assoc. of Korean Asian Medicine & Acupuncture of CA," which appears to be a corporation(s). 2 U.S.C. §441b(a) prohibits the receipt of contributions from corporations unless made from a separate segregated fund established by the corporation.

If any apparently prohibited contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have received a prohibited contribution(s), you may have to make a refund. If within 30 days of receipt you (1) transferred the prohibited

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amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund, you may retain the contribution in an account not used to influence federal elections. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 30 days of receipt, the prohibited amount must be refunded. See 11 CFR §103.3(b)(1).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any transfer-out or refund. In addition, any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of a prohibited contribution, prompt action by your committee to transfer-out or refund the amount will be taken into consideration.

3. Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a non-multicandidate political committee and its affiliates, from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$2,400 per election. Please refer to the Campaign Guide for information on how a committee qualifies for multicandidate status.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

If your committee has met the criteria for multicandidate status, please file FEC FORM 1M "Notification of Multicandidate Status" with the Commission. The treasurer must file FEC FORM 1M no later than ten (10)

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calendar days after qualifying for multicandidate committee status. 11 CFR §102.2(a)(3)

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and previde a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-Commission records indicate the name of your political committee is "California Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Association." However, your committee has filed this report(s) using the name "Council of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Associations." If your committee has changed its name, please disclose the new name of committee on an amended Statement of Organization. Please provide clarifying information regarding this discrepancy.

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) 694-1143.

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Sincerely,

Kaitlin Eger

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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### **Excessive Contribution to a Candidate:**

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report
Judy Chu for Congress	6/12/09	\$3,000.00	P-2010	Amended 2009 Mid- Year