

MISCELLANEOUS TEXT (FEC Form 99)

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FORM99

Amendment - 2022 April Quarterly Report - This Form99 is being submitted in response to the Federal Election Commission's request for additional information dated May 12, 2022. The FEC's inquiry requests information about a number of transactions included on Schedule A of the committee's 2022 April Quarterly Report.

Firstly, the FEC requests information about contributions that appear to be from possible prohibited entities. In this regard, please be informed that the contribution from Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local 46 was inadvertently deposited by the committee; upon discovering that the source of the contribution is a labor organization and not a political action committee, the contribution was refunded. This action was noted on the committee's original filing. The refund was issued after the close of the reporting period and was included on the committee's 12-Day Pre-Primary Report, which was filed on May 26, 2022. The committee's amendment to the 2022 April Quarterly Report includes a text record that further clarifies actions taken by the committee with respect to this transaction. Please be informed that the committee also inadvertently deposited a contribution from First Knight Enterprises Inc; upon discovering that the source of the contribution is a corporation, the contribution was refunded. This action was noted on the committee's original filing. The refund was issued after the close of the reporting period and was included on the committee's 12-Day Pre-Primary Report, which was filed on May 26, 2022. The committee's amendment to the 2022 April Quarterly Report includes a text record that further clarifies actions taken by the committee with respect to this transaction. Please be informed that the committee deposited a contribution from New Jersey State Firefighter's Mutual Benevolent Association PAC, which is a non-federal committee that is registered and files reports with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission. The funds used by the PAC are derived entirely from membership contributions, which are federally permissible sources. The committee's amendment to the 2022 April Quarterly Report includes a text record that further clarifies this transaction. Secondly, the FEC requests information about contributions that appear to exceed established contribution limits. In this case, please be advised that the contributions from Genova Burns LLC aggregate to a total of \$5800 for the election cycle. The first \$2900 was designated to the primary and the second \$2900 was designated to the general election. The LLC contributions are attributed to Angelo Genova, the managing partner for the LLC and the partner-share memo transactions supporting the LLC contributions are properly designated to the primary and general elections. Also, please be informed that the committee accepted a \$5000 contribution in the subject reporting period from John F Graham; a portion of the contribution was designated for the primary and the balance was reported as being designated for the general election. The contributor had made a prior contribution, which caused the contributor to become excessive. Upon discovering the excessive contribution, the committee refunded the excessive portion. This action was noted on the committee's original filing. The refund was issued after the close of the reporting period and was included on the committee's 12-Day Pre-Primary Report, which was filed on May 26, 2022. The committee's amendment to the 2022 April Quarterly Report includes a text record that further clarifies actions taken by the committee with respect to this transaction.

Please be informed that the committee's report includes transactions from J Street PAC; the committee has learned that the transactions are conduit transfers of earmarked contributions. As such, the transactions are not contributions from J Street PAC and have no affect on the PAC's

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limit(s). The committee is in the process of obtaining information related to the earmarked contributions and plans on amending its report to properly reflect the transactions. Thirdly, the FEC requests information about contributions from political organizations that are not registered with the FEC. All of the subject contributors are non-federal committees that are registered and file reports with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission.

The committee noted on its original filing that the subject transactions were from non-federal committees. The committee's amendment to the 2022 April Quarterly Report includes a text record that further clarifies actions taken by the committee with respect to each of these transactions. Please be informed that the committee has sent a letter to the treasurer of each of these non-federal committees to confirm that each had sufficient federally permissible funds available to cover the contribution made to Donald M Payne Jr for Congress; the committee retains signed confirmation letters for reference.

Finally, the FEC requests information related to transactions that were inadvertently recorded as memo transactions. The committee has reviewed the issue and corrected the classification of the transactions; these corrections are included on the committee's amendment to the 2022 April Quarterly Report. Should additional information related to the issues raised by the FEC be required, please advise the committee.