



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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Response Due Date
02/03/2025

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00784371

REFERENCE: 30 DAY POST-GENERAL REPORT (10/17/2024 - 11/25/2024)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report 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 item(s):

1. Schedule A supporting Line 12 of the Detailed Summary Page(s) of your combined 2024 reports discloses transfer(s) that exceed the sum of memo Schedule A entries (see attached). Please note that the sum of memo Schedule A supporting a transfer(s) from a joint fundraising committee should be greater than or equal to the amount of the transfer(s).

Each participating committee shall report its share for **net** proceeds received from the joint fundraising committee as a transfer-in on Schedule A. A memo Schedule A must be provided to itemize your committee's share of the **gross** contributions received through the joint fundraiser. The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during the election cycle and provide the amount of unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. (11 CFR § 102.17(c)(8)(i)(B)) Please amend your report to include the missing Schedule A or provide an explanation for this apparent discrepancy.

2. Schedule A of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48-hour notices regarding "last minute" contributions (to include loans, in-kind contributions, and advances) received by your committee after the close of books for the 12 Day Pre-General Report (see attached). A principal campaign committee must notify the Commission, in writing, within 48 hours of any contribution of \$1,000 or more received between

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two and twenty days before an election. These contributions are then reported on the next report required to be filed by the committee. To ensure that the Commission is notified of last minute contributions of \$1,000 or more to your campaign, it is recommended that you review your procedures for checking contributions received during the aforementioned time period. The failure to file 48-hour notices may result in civil money penalties or legal enforcement action. (11 CFR § 104.5(f))

If any contribution of \$1,000 or more was incorrectly reported, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information. For each contribution received by a joint fundraising representative and subsequently transferred to your committee, please ensure that your report discloses the original date of receipt of the contribution by the joint fundraising representative in a memo entry supporting the transfer. The entry for the transfer itself should show the date the contribution was transferred to your committee by the joint fundraising representative.

3. Your committee filed a 48-hour notice disclosing a "last minute" contribution from Andrew Gunther on 10/17/2024. This contribution does not appear on a Schedule A of this report. Please amend your report to include this contribution or provide an explanation of this apparent discrepancy. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(i)) For each contribution received by a joint fundraising representative and subsequently transferred to your committee, please ensure that your report discloses the original date of receipt of the contribution by the joint fundraising representative in a memo entry supporting the transfer. The entry for the transfer itself should show the date the contribution was transferred to your committee by the joint fundraising representative.

- Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that appears to be disclosed on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, contributions from political committees registered with the Commission should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule A, supporting Line 11(c) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the Form 3 instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your next filing. (11 CFR § 104.3(a) and (b))

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

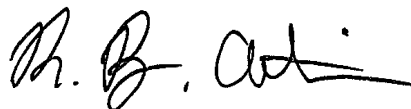
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taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

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. For information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees. For more information about Requests for Additional Information (RAI), why you received a letter, and how to respond, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/request-additional-information. Should you 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) 694-1196.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. B. Austin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bradley Austin

Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst

Joint Fundraising Transfers Exceed Memo Entries
Vargas for Congress (C00784371)

NewDem Figures Vargas Stelson Victory Fund

Report	Transfers	Memo Entries
2024 30-Day Post-General	\$30,133.42	\$27,416.67
Total	\$30,133.42	\$27,416.67

Missing 48-Hour Notices
Vargas for Congress (C00784371)

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Alpert, Ariela	10/18/24	\$1,000.00	G2024
Hold The Line PAC	10/18/24	\$2,500.00	G2024
Gural, Jeffrey	10/21/24	\$3,300.00	G2024
Rosskamm, Alan	10/21/24	\$2,500.00	G2024
Rosskamm, Barbara	10/21/24	\$2,500.00	G2024
Rueven, Daniel	10/21/24	\$3,300.00	G2024
Rueven, Sarah	10/21/24	\$3,300.00	G2024
Young, Michael	10/21/24	\$1,000.00	G2024
Lazo, Sandra L.	10/23/24	\$3,300.00	G2024
National Committee For An Effective Congress	10/23/24	\$1,500.00	G2024
Grilikhes-Lasky, Antonia	10/24/24	\$2,400.00	G2024
Pitts, Bradley	10/24/24	\$2,400.00	G2024
Storm PAC	10/29/24	\$1,000.00	G2024
Drexler, Peggy	10/31/24	\$3,300.00	G2024
League Of Conservation Voters Action Fund	10/31/24	\$1,000.00	G2024
DigiDems PAC	11/1/24	\$1,000.00	G2024