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October 31, 2022

BRADLEY CRATE, TREASURER BEQUETTE FOR ARKANSAS P.O. BOX 7660 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72217

Response Due Date 12/05/2022

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00784272

REFERENCE: JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (05/05/2022 - 06/30/2022)

## 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 1 item(s):

- While it is permissible for a person to make a contribution for the general election prior to the primary election, the recipient committee must employ an acceptable accounting method to distinguish between primary and general election contributions. (11 CFR § 102.9(e)) This general election amount must be maintained in the committee's account.

Since the candidate will not participate in the general election, any contribution received for the general election must be returned to the donors or redesignated to the primary if your committee has net debts outstanding for the primary election. The Commission notes your additional explanation regarding the committee's corrective action taken for some of these contributions. redesignate a contribution the committee must either (1) obtain signed written documentation from the contributor(s) authorizing the redesignation of the contribution for another election provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election, or (2) redesignate the contribution by presumption to the primary election, for undesignated contributions made after the primary but before the general election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributor of the redesignation in writing. The notification must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. A contribution can only be redesignated to a previous election to the extent that the contribution does not exceed net debts outstanding for that election. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(3)(i) and (5)

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The attached general election contributions do not appear to have been remedied. Any subsequent report(s) filed with the Commission must disclose the refund or redesignation of any general election contribution. Refunds or redesignations must be done within 60 days after the 2022 Primary Election.

Although the Commission may take further legal action, your prompt action to refund these contributions will be taken into consideration.

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. 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 (RFAI), 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) 694-1440.

Sincerely,

Patrick Harkins

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

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## Apparent General and Runoff Election Contributions Bequette for Arkansas (C00784272)

**2021 October Quarterly Report** 

| Contributor Name        | Date    | Amount     | Election |
|-------------------------|---------|------------|----------|
| Bequette, George J III  | 7/16/21 | \$2,900.00 | G2022    |
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| King, Jonathan Schuerer | 7/27/21 | \$2,900.00 | G2022    |

2022 12 Day Pre-Primary Report

| Contributor Name | Date    | Amount   | Election |
|------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Ginger, Nan J    | 5/4/22  | \$100.00 | G2022    |
| Moore, John A Mr | 3/16/22 | \$50.00  | G2022    |

2022 July Quarterly Report

| Contributor Name | Date    | Amount   | <b>Election</b> |
|------------------|---------|----------|-----------------|
| Register, Chad A | 5/18/22 | \$200.00 | G2022           |