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POLITICAL VICTORY FUND
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FAIRFAX, VA 22030

Response Due Date
08/05/2021

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00053553

REFERENCE: MARCH MONTHLY REPORT (02/01/2021 - 02/28/2021)

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 2 item(s):

1. Commission Regulations require that a committee discloses the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name (initials for first or last name are not acceptable), complete mailing address, occupation, and name of employer. (11 CFR § 100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(1)) See 11 CFR § 104.7(b)(1)(B) for examples of acceptable statements regarding the requirements of federal law.

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of

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the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2)) The requests must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution,
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you should either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(4))

Please amend your report to provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

2. Your report discloses one or more receipts representing an apparent misdeposit of contributions not originally intended for your committee's Federal account. Please be advised, contributions deposited in a Federal account must meet the following conditions: the contributions are designated or expressly solicited for use in connection with Federal elections and contributors are informed that their contributions are subject to the limits and prohibitions of the Act. (11 CFR §102.5(a))

The Commission notes the memo text attached to the receipt stating, "This report includes an un-itemized lump sum receipt of \$59,729.94 and itemized individual receipts of \$4,050.00. The total, \$63,779.94, is comprised of individual receipts intended for an affiliated organization that were mistakenly deposited by a third-party credit card processor into the wrong bank account. Those receipts of \$200 and above are itemized with a memo text indicating they were part of the mis-deposited batch. We have transferred the funds out of the PAC account to the affiliate as of 3/17/2021. We are contacting the affected individuals to inform them that their contributions have been moved to the intended account. Per guidance received from FEC, we are disclosing these contributions on the March monthly report and will similarly report a disbursement on the April monthly report."

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the misdeposited funds, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

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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 (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) 694-1172.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Baisden", with a stylized, cursive script.

Jack Baisden

Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst