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BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OF THE
STATE OF OREGON

In the matter of an Insufficient Contribution and Expenditure)
Report by the Committee to Elect Scott Carter, Scott O. Carter,) Final Order by Default
Candidate, Carolyn Winn, Treasurer, for the Second)
Pre-Election for the May 18, 2004, Primary Election) Case No. I8340

October 5, 2005

Committee to Elect Scott Carter (004673)
Scott O. Carter, Candidate / Carolyn Winn, Treasurer
5601 Bartlett Ave
Klamath Falls, OR 97603

Dear Mr. Carter:

This is a Final Order by Default issued by the Secretary of State (secretary) for your failure to file a sufficient second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the May 18, 2004, Primary Election.

On July 13, 2005, the secretary notified the Committee to Elect Scott Carter (committee), pursuant to ORS 260.232(2), that it had failed to file a sufficient report and that the secretary may impose a civil penalty. An opportunity for a hearing was provided in that notice; however, no request for a hearing was received by the secretary within the time permitted in the notice. Accordingly, after consideration of the records and files of the secretary regarding this matter, the secretary is entering the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The committee's Statement of Organization (SEL 220), applicable during the reporting period, was filed with the secretary on October 3, 2003. The statement reported Carolyn Winn as the treasurer and 5534 S. 6th St. #185, Klamath Falls, OR 97603 as the mailing address for both candidate and committee correspondence.
2. The committee filed a second pre-election report with the secretary on May 5, 2004.
3. On May 21, 2004, the secretary sent the committee an exam letter that itemized the areas where the report was not in compliance. The committee was asked to submit the necessary amended information by June 3, 2004, to avoid penalties for failure to file a sufficient report.

4. On the day following the June 3, 2004, amendment deadline, the committee's report was still missing the following required information: the purpose of one in-kind contribution (1 item).
5. On June 15, 2004, an amendment to the committee's report was filed. The amendment provided one item of previously insufficient information.
6. On June 16, 2005, the secretary sent the committee a Notice of Proposed Civil Penalty. The notice was sent by both certified and first class mail to the candidate and was sent by first class mail to the treasurer at the above-referenced address. The notice proposed a civil penalty of \$5.00 and allowed the committee 20 days to request a hearing. The notices were returned by the post office as undeliverable.
7. On July 13, 2005, the secretary sent the Notice of Proposed Civil Penalty to the candidate's residence address at 5601 Bartlett Ave, Klamath Falls, OR 97603 and the treasurer's residence address at 3514 Northridge Dr, Klamath Falls, OR 97601. The notice sent by certified mail was received and signed for by S. Carter on July 14, 2005. No amended Statement of Organization was filed to update the mailing addresses, but the committee was discontinued on September 9, 2004.
8. The committee did not request a public hearing or submit notarized testimony in lieu of a public hearing.
9. The secretary has record of no previous insufficient filings during the two-year period beginning September 15, 2003.

ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT

Scott O. Carter, Candidate, and Carolyn Winn, Treasurer, failed to file a sufficient second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the May 18, 2004, Primary Election.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Candidate Scott O. Carter's and Treasurer Carolyn Winn's failure to file a sufficient second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the May 18, 2004, Primary Election violated ORS 260.058, ORS 260.083 and OAR 165-012-0005. A civil penalty may be imposed for this violation under ORS 260.232(1)(b).

A maximum \$10,000 civil penalty may be imposed for this violation. The *2004 Campaign Finance Manual*, which contains a penalty calculation matrix on pages 104 and 105, is designated in OAR 165-012-0005 as the procedure manual for Oregon campaign finance regulations.

Since this is the first violation by the candidate, the penalty is \$10.00 per omission, less 50% for every omitted item provided prior to the issuance of the proposed penalty notice.

ORDER

It is ordered that no penalty be assessed because the appropriate penalty is under \$50.

RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

You have the right to appeal this Order to the Oregon Court of Appeals pursuant to ORS 183.482. To appeal you must file a petition for judicial review with the Court of Appeals within 60 days from the day this Order was served to you. Because this Order was mailed to you, the date of service is the day it was *mailed*, not the day you received it. If you do not file a petition for judicial review within the 60-day time period, you will lose your right to appeal.

Jennifer Hertel, Compliance Specialist

DATE of Service: _____

c: Carolyn Winn, Treasurer
3514 Northridge Dr
Klamath Falls, OR 97601