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Case# L8177

August 30, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

I am the treasurer for Friends of Doug Whitsett Committee ID #4821 and was the treasurer during the 2004 election cycle. I am writing, at the suggestion of Jennifer Hertel, Compliance Specialist in the Oregon State Elections Office to outline the circumstances surrounding my inadvertent failure to deposit an already recorded check into the candidate's bank account the last week of October.

The check written by Kroeger Foods to candidate Whitsett was recorded in the campaign log book by me on the date it was received. The amount was correctly and appropriately noted and sent to the elections division as per the law within the reporting timeframe.

I inadvertently put the check back into the envelope in which it was received. I kept all the envelopes from all contributions, so it was a total oversight on my part. Later, after the election, I found the check when I went back through all of the material received during the election and deposited it in the bank at that time.

The account ended with a balance of more than \$20,000 so the mistake was not noticed by either myself, our electronic filer - Sandy Howard or the elections division of the state until after the first of the year.

My first notification was in August of 2005 by the Secretary of State's Office. I would like to mention that I had major hip replacement surgery during the timeframe mentioned (at the end of 2004) and never having been involved with a political campaign before, I was simply overwhelmed with the sheer amount of paperwork involved with the entire political process.

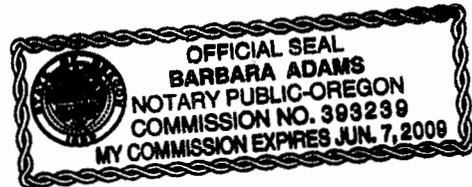
I do apologize for my inadvertent mistake in temporarily misplacing the check.

Thank you for your consideration of the circumstances.

Gail Whitsett

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STATE OF OREGON }
COUNTY OF KLAMATH }

On 9-1 2005, personally

appeared before me GAIL WHITSETT
known to be the named principal(s) who executed this
instrument and acknowledged to me that it was executed
for purpose therein

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Notary Public for Oregon

My Commission Expires: 6-7-09