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BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OF THE
STATE OF OREGON

In the matter of a Late Contribution and Expenditure Report by)
the Friends of Bob Reeves, Bob Reeves, Candidate/Treasurer,) Final Order by Default
for the Second Pre-Election for the May 16, 2006, Primary)
Election) Case No. L8808
)

October 23, 2006

Friends of Bob Reeves (005286)
Bob Reeves, Candidate/Treasurer
334 High St
Eugene, OR 97401

Dear Mr. Reeves:

This is a Final Order by Default issued by the Secretary of State (secretary) for your failure to file a timely second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the May 16, 2006, Primary Election.

On August 14, 2006, the secretary notified the Friends of Bob Reeves (committee), pursuant to ORS 260.232(2), that it had failed to file the 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 February 14, 2006. The statement reported Bob Reeves, the candidate, as the treasurer and 334 High St, Eugene, OR 97401 as the address to which all committee correspondence was to be sent.
2. The committee was required to file a second pre-election report with the secretary on May 4, 2006.
3. The secretary received the report on May 12, 2006, which is six business days after the date on which the report was due.

4. The committee reported no contributions and total expenditures of \$1,971.48 during the accounting period for the report.
5. On May 12, 2006, the secretary received an amended SEL 220 updating the committee address to PO Box 11, Eugene, OR 97401.
6. On August 14, 2006, 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/treasurer at the above-referenced address. The notice proposed a civil penalty of \$100.00 and allowed the committee 20 days to request a hearing. The notice sent by certified mail was returned unclaimed and the post-office indicated it gave first notice on August 15, 2006.
7. On September 29, 2006, the candidate was sent copies of returned mail to 334 High St, Eugene, OR 97401. On October 13, 2006, the candidate confirmed by phone that the post-office box was closed and all future mail should be sent to this address.
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 one previous late filing during the two-year period beginning September 15, 2005.

ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT

Bob Reeves, Candidate/Treasurer, failed to file a timely second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the May 16, 2006, Primary Election.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Candidate/Treasurer Bob Reeves's failure to file a timely second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the May 16, 2006, Primary Election violated ORS 260.058.

By statute, a maximum \$10,000 civil penalty may be imposed for this violation. The *2006 Campaign Finance Manual*, which contains a penalty calculation matrix on pages 104–106, is designated in OAR 165-012-0005 as the procedure manual for Oregon campaign finance regulations.

Under the penalty matrix, the maximum statutory penalty of \$10,000 is reduced to 3% of the total contributions or total expenditures—whichever is greater—for each business day the report was late as this is the second late violation by the candidate.

Although the calculated penalty for the late report is \$354.84 ($\$1,971.48 \times 3\% \times 6$ days), the penalty matrix sets a maximum penalty of \$100.00 when the total contributions or total expenditures—whichever is greater—is between \$0 and \$2,000.

ORDER

It is ordered that a penalty of \$100.00 is assessed. If your payment is not received within 60 days from the date of service noted below, this Order will be sent to our accounting division for collection and may be subsequently sent to the Oregon Department of Revenue.

Please refer to case number L8808 when mailing your payment.

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.

Stacey Jackson, Compliance Specialist

DATE of Service: October 23, 2006