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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 Larry George for State Senate, Lawrence B. George, ) Final Order by Default  
Candidate/Treasurer, for the First Supplement to the Second )  
Pre-Election for the November 7, 2006, General Election ) Case No. L9167  
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August 15, 2007

Larry George for State Senate (005107)  
Lawrence B. George, Candidate/Treasurer  
16785 SW Parrett Mtn Rd  
Sherwood, OR 97140

Dear Senator George:

This is a Final Order by Default issued by the Secretary of State (secretary) for your failure to file a timely first supplement to the second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the November 7, 2006, General Election.

On July 11, 2007, the secretary notified Larry George for State Senate (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 August 9, 2005. The statement reported Lawrence B. George, the candidate, as the treasurer and 16785 SW Parrett Mtn Rd, Sherwood, OR 97140 as the address to which all committee correspondence was to be sent.
2. The committee submitted a timely first supplement to the second pre-election report with the secretary on October 30, 2006. However, an additional expenditure should have been included on the report. The committee reported the expenditure required to be included on the first supplement to the second pre-election report (\$5,000.00 to T.J. Reilly for State Senate on October 26, 2006) on a first supplement to the second pre-election report filed on November 24, 2006, which is 17 business days after the report was due.

3. The committee reported no contributions and total expenditures of \$5,000.00 during the accounting period for the report.
4. On July 11, 2007, 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 \$850.00 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 July 12, 2007.
5. The committee did not request a public hearing or submit notarized testimony in lieu of a public hearing.
6. The secretary has record of no previous late filings during the two-year period beginning September 15, 2005.

#### ULTIMATE FINDINGS OF FACT

Lawrence B. George, Candidate/Treasurer, failed to file a timely first supplement to the second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the November 7, 2006, General Election.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Candidate/Treasurer Lawrence B. George's failure to file a timely first supplement to the second pre-election contribution and expenditure report for the November 7, 2006, General Election violated ORS 260.068.

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 1% of the total contributions or total expenditures—whichever is greater—for each business day the report was late as this is the first late violation by the candidate.

ORDER

It is ordered that a penalty of \$850.00 ( $\$5,000.00 \times 1\% \times 17$  days) 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 L9167 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.

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Candy Broucek, Compliance Specialist

DATE of Service: \_\_\_\_\_