



**New York City Campaign Finance Board**

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**FINAL BOARD DETERMINATION – EC2013 CAMPAIGN**

The New York City Campaign Finance Board (“Board”), at a meeting held on May 28, 2015, made the following final determination concerning the Christopher Walsh 2013 Campaign (“Campaign”):

**Violations and Penalties**

The Board determined that the Candidate, the Treasurer, and the Committee named above violated the New York City Campaign Finance Act (“Act”) and Board Rules and are jointly and severally liable for paying \$707 in penalties as follows:

1. A penalty of \$587 for accepting a contribution from a corporation. *See* N.Y.C. Charter § 1052(a)(13); Admin. Code §§ 3-702(8), 3-703(1)(1); Board Rules 1-04(c)(1), (e), (g). The Campaign’s vendor, Next Generation Group, Inc., a corporation, did not charge the applicable New York State sales tax of 8.875% on its \$3,800 fee for sign display. The unpaid tax of \$337.25 is a prohibited corporate in-kind contribution. The Campaign was notified about this prohibited contribution, but did not return it to the vendor.

**Candidate ID Number: 1786**

2. A penalty of \$120 for accepting a contribution from an unregistered political committee. See Admin. Code §§ 3-702(8), (11), 3-703(1)(k), 3-707; Board Rules 1-04(c)(1), (d), (g). The Campaign accepted a \$120 in-kind contribution for the printing of petitions from the Democratic County Committee, an unregistered political committee. The Campaign promptly refunded the contribution upon notice from the Board.

**Public Funds Calculation**

The Board determined that the Campaign must return Public Funds as follows:

Type of Repayment <sup>1</sup>	Amount
1. Final Bank Balance <sup>2</sup>	\$7,596.37
2. Qualified Expenditure Deficit	Not Applicable
3. Overpayment of Public Funds Based on Valid Matching Claims	Not Applicable

The Final Bank Balance Amount of \$7,596.37 is the largest amount. Accordingly, the Committee and the Candidate named above are responsible for repaying this amount,<sup>3</sup> and the Campaign paid the amount due on April 24, 2015.

You must pay to the Board the remaining amount due of \$707 no later than **September 10, 2015**. Checks should be made payable to the “New York City Election Campaign Finance Fund,” and mailed to the attention of Katharine Loving, Associate Counsel, New York City Campaign Finance Board, 100 Church Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10007 or delivered to the offices of the Board.

If the Board is not in receipt of the full \$707 by **September 10, 2015**, the candidate’s name and the unpaid amount will be posted on the Board’s Website and the Board may initiate a civil action against the Committee, the Candidate, and the Treasurer to compel payment. In addition, you will be ineligible for public funds in any future election until this debt is paid in full.

You may challenge a public funds calculation in a petition for Board reconsideration within thirty days of the date of the Final Audit Report as set forth in Board Rule 5-02(a). However, the Board will not consider the petition unless the

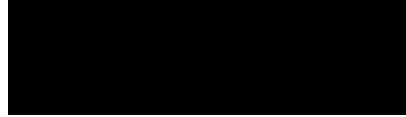
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<sup>1</sup> For explanations of the three types of repayments, see the Public Funds Calculation sent to the Campaign on April 15, 2015.  
<sup>2</sup> This Amount represents the balance in the Committee’s bank account as of April 24, 2015.  
<sup>3</sup> Based on the final audit, the Act may require a campaign to repay public funds. Admin. Code §§ 3-705(1); 3-710; Board Rule 5-03. If the committee has funds remaining in its bank account after proper post-election expenditures have been made, the Committee and the Candidate are responsible for repaying this Amount to the Fund. Admin. Code § 3-710(2)(c); Board Rule 5-03(e).

Campaign submits new information and/or documentation and shows good cause for its previous failure to provide this information or documentation.

You may also challenge this final determination, within four months, in the New York State Supreme Court pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

If you need additional time to pay this amount or if you have any questions concerning this Final Board Determination, please contact Katharine Loving, Associate Counsel, at (212) 409-1864 or [KLoving@nyccfb.info](mailto:KLoving@nyccfb.info).



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