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Lenford Edie


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FINAL BOARD DETERMINATION – EC2013 CAMPAIGN

The New York City Campaign Finance Board (“Board”), at a meeting held on February 11, 2016, made the following final determination concerning the Lenford Edie 2013 Campaign (“Campaign”):

The Board determined that the Candidate 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 \$1,900 in penalties as follows:

1. A penalty of \$750 for failing to demonstrate compliance with reporting requirements for receipts and disbursements *See* Admin. Code §§ 3-703(1)(d), (g), (6), (11), (12); Board Rules 1-09, 3-03(c), (d), (e), 4-01.

The Campaign reported \$9,454 in receipts, but the bank statements the Campaign has provided only account for \$7,394 in receipts, a difference of \$2,060. This constitutes a variance of 21.79% between the receipts reported and documented by the Campaign.

The Campaign reported \$8,895.59 in disbursements, but the bank statements the Campaign has provided only account for \$7,590.98 in disbursements, a difference of

Candidate ID Number: 1773-P

\$1,304.61. This constitutes a variance of 14.67% between the disbursements reported and documented by the Campaign.

2. A penalty of \$500 for failing to document transactions. *See* Admin. Code §§ 3-703(1)(d), (g), (11), (12), 3-715; Board Rules 1-09, 4-01(a), (c), (g), (k), 4-03.

The Campaign reported three expenditures totaling \$1,500 to its Campaign Manager. However, payment for these expenditures does not appear in the Campaign's bank records. As such, it appears that the Campaign Manager provided her services free of charge as an in-kind contribution that the Campaign failed to document or report.

During a September 2, 2013 site visit, the Campaign indicated to Board staff that four individuals were paid employees of the Campaign. However, the Campaign did not report any wage payments to these individuals, nor do any such payments appear in the Campaign's bank records. The Campaign failed to provide any documentation from the individuals confirming whether they were paid employees or volunteers. It appears that these individuals were paid employees who ultimately provided their services as in-kind contributions that the Campaign failed to document or report.

3. A penalty of \$500 for failing to report and document basic campaign functions/activities. *See* Admin. Code §§ 3-702(8), 3-703(1)(d), (g), (6), (11), (12); Board Rules 1-02, 1-04(g), 1-08(a), (b), (c), (h), 1-09, 3-02, 3-03(e), 4-01.

The Campaign did not report expenditures for petitioning, and failed to document or explain why it did not report any other expenditures associated with petitioning (such as wages for petitioners or printing costs).

4. A penalty of \$150 for maintaining a petty cash fund greater than \$500. *See* Board Rule 4-01(e)(2).

The Campaign reported receiving a \$2,000 cash loan on April 10, 2013. The deposit of this amount of cash does not appear in the Campaign's bank records, and the Campaign therefore kept more than \$500 in cash.

The Board determined that the amount due is \$1,900.

You must pay to the Board the full amount due of \$1,900 no later than **November 14, 2016**. Checks should be made payable to the "New York City Election Campaign Finance Fund," and mailed to the attention of Mark Griffin, Associate Counsel, New York City Campaign Finance Board, 100 Church Street, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10007 or delivered to the offices of the Board.

If the Board is not in receipt of the full \$1,900 by **November 14, 2016**, 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 and the Candidate 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 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 have any questions concerning this Final Board Determination, please contact Mark Griffin, Associate Counsel, at (212) 409-1863 or mgriffin@nyccfb.info.

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