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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 Caughman 2013 Campaign ("Campaign"):

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 \$1,888 in penalties as follows:

1. A penalty of \$50 for making a cash expenditure greater than \$100. See Board Rules 1-08(i) and 4-01(e)(2). The Campaign made a \$201.75 cash expenditure to Crown Fried Chicken on September 10, 2013.

2. A penalty of \$195 for failing to demonstrate that spending was in furtherance of the campaign. *See* Admin. Code §§ 3-702(21)(a), (b); 3-703(1)(d), (g), (6), (11); Board Rules 1-03(a), 4-01(e). The Campaign made a \$782.08 expenditure for a computer and software at Best Buy on September 2, 2013. The Campaign failed to properly explain the amount of the expenditure, why the expenditure was made so late in the election cycle, and why the Campaign did not use other Campaign computer equipment for the event.

3. A penalty of \$1,643 for making impermissible post-election expenditures. *See* Admin. Code §§ 3-702(21)(a)(8), (b)(1), 3-703(1)(d), (g), (6), (11), 3-710(2)(c); Board Rules 1-03(a), 1-08(b), 1-08(k), 5-03(e)(2). The Campaign made expenditures totaling \$6,575.08 that, based on their timing, amount, and/or purpose are improper post-election expenditures.

The Board determined that the amount due is \$1,888.

You must pay to the Board the full amount due of \$1,888 no later than **October 31, 2016.** Checks should be made payable to the "New York City Election Campaign Finance Fund," and mailed to the attention of Ashley E. Siegel, 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 \$1,888 by **October 31, 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, 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 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 Ashley E. Siegel, Associate Counsel, at (212) 409-1866 or <u>asiegel@nyccfb.info</u>.

Signature on Original

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