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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 Stephen Pierson 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 \$357 in penalties and found an infraction as follows:

1. An infraction with no penalty for filing a late disclosure statement. *See* N.Y.C. Charter § 1052(a)(8); Admin. Code §§ 3-703(6), (12), 3-708(8); Board Rules 1-09, 3-02. The Campaign filed disclosure statement 16, due on January 15, 2014, seven days late on January 22, 2014.

Candidate ID Number: 1686P

2. A penalty of \$100 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 failed to provide sufficient explanation or documentation to show that expenditures to individuals of \$350 were made in furtherance of the campaign.

3. A penalty of \$257 for making impermissible post-election expenditures of \$1,031.10 to employees, eFax, Authorize.Net, and Bankcard USA. *See* Admin. Code §§ 3-702(21)(a) (8), 3-703(1)(d), (g), (6), (11), 3-710(2)(c); Board Rules 1-03(a), 1-08(b), 5-03(e)(2). The Campaign failed to provide sufficient explanation or documentation to show that those expenditures or its payment to ATD of \$2,161.17 were routine, nominal expenditures required for winding up the Campaign. No penalty was assessed for the ATD expenditures.

The Board determined that the amount due is \$357.

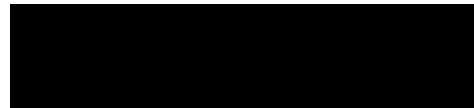
You must pay to the Board the full amount due of \$357 no later than **October 31, 2016**. Checks should be made payable to the “New York City Election Campaign Finance Fund,” and mailed to the attention of Katharine Loving, Associate Counsel, New York City Campaign Finance Board, 100 Church Street, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10007 or delivered to the offices of the Board.

If the Board is not in receipt of the full amount due 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 Katharine Loving, Associate Counsel, at (212) 409-1864 or KLoving@nyccfb.info.

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