

**BEFORE THE OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS
1015 HALF STREET, SE
SUITE 775
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003**

IN THE MATTER OF)	
)	Date: May 17, 2018
Ward One Democrats)	
Camille Glover, Chair)	Docket No: 18P-008
1603 U Street NW, #18)	
Washington, DC 20009)	

ORDER

Statement of the Case

This matter came before the Office of Campaign Finance (“OCF”) Office of the General Counsel following a determination by its Public Information and Records Management Division that **Hector Huezo, Former Treasurer** of the Ward One Democrats Political Action Committee (“committee”), failed to timely file the March 10th Report of Receipts and Expenditures that was due on Monday, March 12, 2018, in violation of the Campaign Finance Act of 2011, District of Columbia Official Code § 1-1163.09(b) (2015) and the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, 3 DCMR § 3017.2 (May 2015, as amended).

By Notice of Hearing, Statement of Violations and Order of Appearance dated March 29, 2018, OCF ordered Hector Huezo, Former Treasurer to appear at a scheduled hearing on April 12, 2018 (rescheduled on April 19, 2018) and show cause why the committee should not be found in violation of the D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.09(b) (2015) and 3 DCMR § 3017.2 (May 2015, as amended), and fined accordingly.

Summary of Evidence

On April 19, 2018, Camille Glover, Chair (“Respondent”) appeared pro se to answer to the above cited allegations. Sonya Lake, Public Affairs Specialist appeared on behalf of the Office of Campaign Finance (“OCF”). Ms. Lake testified that the Respondent failed to timely file the March 10th Report of Receipts and Expenditures that was due on Monday, March 12, 2018, in violation of the Campaign Finance Act of 2011, D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.09(b) (2015) and the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, 3 DCMR § 3017.2 (May 2015).

The Respondent testified that both the former treasurer Hector Huezo and former chair Brian Footer resigned from their respective position prior to the March 10th filing date. Consequently, neither the Respondent nor any other member was aware that the committee was in noncompliance with its filing obligations. The Respondent further testified that on or about April 10, 2018, the general body appointed the Respondent as the new chair and subsequently appointed Daniel Orlaskey as the new treasurer.

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Thereafter, the Respondent and treasurer filed the appropriate acceptance forms with OCF and took immediate action to bring the committee into compliance with its filing obligations. On April 18, 2018, the treasurer filed the March 10th Report; therefore, the committee is now in compliance with the reporting requirements under the Campaign Finance Laws. Apart from the March 10th Report filing, the committee does not have a history of delinquent filings.

Findings of Fact

Having reviewed the allegations and the record herein, I find:

1. The Respondent is the chair of the Ward One Democrats Political Action Committee.
2. At all times pertinent, the former treasurer was required to file the March 10th Report of Receipts and Expenditures on Monday, March 12, 2018.
3. By Notice of Hearing, Statement of Violations and Order of Appearance dated March 29, 2018, OCF ordered Hector Huezco, Former Treasurer to appear at a scheduled hearing on April 12, 2018 (rescheduled on April 19, 2018).
4. The Respondent appeared at the hearing on April 19, 2018 and provided a credible explanation for the untimely filing of the March 10th Report. In that, the former treasurer and former chair resigned from their respective positions prior to the March 10th filing date; and therefore, the Respondent was not aware of the filing delinquency.
5. Upon appointment by the general body, the Respondent and the new treasurer filed the appropriate acceptance forms with OCF and subsequently filed the March 10th Report on April 18, 2018.
6. The committee does not have a history of delinquent filings and is currently in compliance with its reporting requirements under the Campaign Finance Laws.

Conclusions of Law

Based on the record provided by OCF, I therefore conclude:

1. The former treasurer violated D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.09)(b) (2015) and 3 DCMR § 3017.2 (May 2015).
2. 3 DCMR § 3711.2(f) establishes a fifty dollar (\$50) fine for failure to timely file a Report of Receipts and Expenditures.
3. 3 DCMR § 3711.1 maintains that a fine shall attach for each day of noncompliance; up to a maximum of **\$1,250**, equal to twenty-five days of noncompliance, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.35(a)(3).

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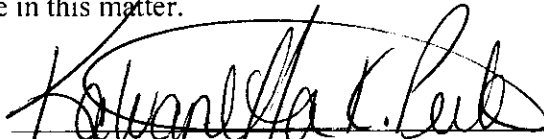
4. The Director may ministerially impose fines upon the candidate, treasurer, committee, or designated agent, pursuant to 3 DCMR § 3711.1.
5. For good cause shown pursuant to 3 DCMR § 3711.7, the Director of Campaign Finance (Director) may modify, rescind, dismiss or suspend any fine.
6. At all times pertinent, the former treasurer was required to file the March 10th Report of Receipts and Expenditures that was due on Monday, March 12, 2018, but failed to comply.
7. The Respondent appeared at the hearing on April 19, 2018 and provided a credible explanation for the untimely filing of the March 10th Report. In that, the former treasurer and former chair resigned from their respective positions prior to the March 10th filing date; and therefore, the Respondent was not aware of the filing delinquency.
8. Upon appointment by the general body, the Respondent and the new treasurer filed the appropriate acceptance forms with OCF and subsequently filed the March 10th Report on April 18, 2018.
9. The committee does not have a history of delinquent filings and is currently in compliance with its reporting requirements under the Campaign Finance Laws.

Recommendation

In view of the foregoing and information included in the record, I HEREBY RECOMMEND that the Director SUSPEND the imposition of any fine against the Ward One Democrats Political Action Committee in this matter.

May 17, 2018

Date



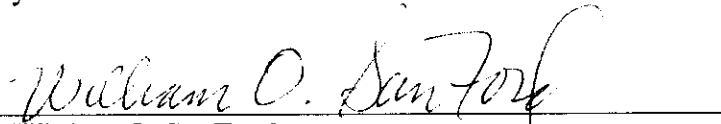
Kalvanetta K. Peele
Hearing Officer

Concurrence

In view of the foregoing, I hereby CONCUR with the Recommendation.

May 17, 2018

Date



William O. Sanford
General Counsel

ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR

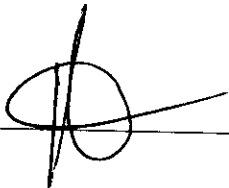
IT IS ORDERED that the imposition of any fine is hereby SUSPENDED against the Ward One Democrats Political Action Committee in this matter.

May 17, 2018
Date


Cecily E. Collier-Montgomery
Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that a true copy of the ORDER has been served on Camille Glover, Chair, via regular mail at 1603 U Street NW, #18, Washington, DC 20009 on this 17th day of May, 2018.



Notice

Any party adversely affected by an Order of the Director may: (1) file a Motion for Reconsideration (Motion) with the OCF within five (5) days after receipt of an Order, provided that, relevant evidence was omitted from consideration at the hearing (3 DCMR § 3709.13); or (2) obtain review of the Order by filing a request for a hearing *de novo* with the Board of Elections within fifteen (15) days from the date of issuance of an Order. Any fine imposed by the Director, pursuant to § 3711.2 shall become effective on the sixteenth (16th) day following the issuance of a decision or Order; provided that, the Respondent does not request a hearing *de novo* with the Board of Elections. Fines imposed shall be paid within ten (10) days of the effective date of the issued Order of the Director. Make payment by check or money order, payable to: District of Columbia Treasurer. Send payment to the *Office of Campaign Finance, 1015 Half Street, SE, Suite 775, Washington, DC 20003*.

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April 19, 2018

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Re: Notice of Hearing Docket No. 18P-008

Dear Office of Campaign Finance:

I hope you are well. Attached, please find the Affidavit of the Ward One Democrats (by Camille Glover, Acting Chair for Ward One Democrats) for the District of Columbia Office of Campaign Finance RE: Notice of Hearing Docket No. 18P-008. Please let me know if you need anything else. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Camille Glover
Acting Chair, Ward One Democrats

AFFIDAVIT OF CAMILLE GLOVER
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE
RE: Notice of Hearing Docket No. 18P-008

District of Columbia County of _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary,

Sidney W. Williams III
[name of Notary] before whom affidavit is sworn, on this 19 [day of month]
day of April [month], 2018, personally appeared

Camille Glover [name of affiant], known to me
to be a credible person and of lawful age, who being by me first duly sworn, on her [his or
her] oath, deposes and says:

1. On March 10, 2018, Brian Footer was the Chair of the Ward One Democrats. Brian Footer had ceased all communication with the Ward One Democrats and there had been no communication from him, nor any Executive Board or General Body meetings since November 2018. Therefore, any information that was presented about failure to timely file a January and March 10, 2018 Report of Receipts & Expenditures with the D.C. Office of Campaign Finance (OCF) was sent to Mr. Footer (possibly via email and hardcopy), and this information was not presented to the General Body. Therefore, I (nor any other Ward One Democrats members), did not know that the Ward One Democrats were not in compliance with this filing, and I had no way of knowing.
2. On or about April 7, 2018, I became aware that both the January 2018 and March 10, 2018 Report of Receipts & Expenditures had not been filed, because Hector Huezo, who had served as the Treasurer for the Ward One Democrats, added me to an email from Wesley Williams trying to determine if and when the Ward One Democrats would file a January and March 10, 2018 report. Mr. Huezo had served as Treasurer for the Ward One Democrats, and had properly sent his resignation to OCF and to Brian Footer, but the General Body was not aware, and no steps were taken by Mr. Footer to hold an election.
3. Upon learning of this information, and upon Mr. Brian Footer's oral resignation to the General Body, I became Acting Chair of the Ward One Democrats on April 10, 2018. I informed the General Body that I would be appointing an Acting Treasurer. During that week, I also had a telephone conversation with Mr. Wesley Williams, who explained that our organization would need to file the January 2018 and March 10th Report of Receipts & Expenditures, and that myself and the newly appointed Treasurer would need to fill out paperwork informing OCF of our positions. During my conversation with Mr. Williams, I expressed the Ward One Democrats desire to operate in compliance with OCF and that we would complete all paperwork, including the filing before our hearing on April 19, 2018.
4. At the date of this Affidavit, I have completed paperwork with the Office of Campaign Finance, listing myself as Chair. I was informed that Brian Footer had not formally submitted paperwork to resign as Ward One Democrats Chair, but that Mr. Williams would decide if this

was acceptable under the circumstances.

5. At the date of this Affidavit, Mr. Daniel Olaskey, who was appointed Treasurer, has also completed paperwork, listing himself as Treasurer.
6. At the date of this Affidavit, Mr. Olaskey has filed the necessary January 2018 and March 2018 Report of Receipts & Expenditures, and we have received confirmation of receipt.
7. It is the complete and sincere intention of the Ward One Democrats to operate in compliance with and remain in good standing with the District of Columbia Office of Campaign Finance.

Camille Glover
 Signature of Affiant

Camille Glover
 Typed Name of Affiant

 [address of affiant, line 1]

 [address of affiant, line 2]

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19 [day of month] day of
April [month], 2018.

[Notary Seal:]

Sidney W. Williams III [signature of Notary]

Sidney W. Williams III [typed name of Notary]

Notary Public, District of Columbia

My commission expires 8/14/2020, 20 .

NOTARY PUBLIC

