

**BEFORE THE OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
FRANK D. REEVES MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
2000-14<sup>th</sup> STREET, N.W., SUITE 433  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20009  
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| IN THE MATTER OF              | ) | DATE: November 2, 2012    |
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| William Boston, ANC Candidate | ) | DOCKET NO.: P.I. 2012-120 |
| SMD 5E01                      | ) |                           |
| 612 Franklin Street, NE       | ) |                           |
| Washington, DC 20017          | ) |                           |

**CEASE AND DESIST ORDER**

This matter came before the Office of Campaign Finance (hereinafter OCF) Office of the General Counsel pursuant to a complaint filed against William Boston, ANC Candidate, SMD 5E01 (hereinafter respondent). The complaint alleged that the respondent may have violated District of Columbia campaign finance laws as follows: (1) failed to include the words, "paid for by" on campaign literature, followed by the name and address of the payer of such literature as required by D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.15(a)(2001 Edition); (2) failed to include the notice, "A copy of our report is filed with the Director of Campaign Finance of the District of Columbia Board of Elections"; and (3) recycled campaign literature formerly distributed by the "Citizens to Elect William Boston Ward 5 2012 Principal Campaign Committee" without the authority of the principal campaign committee.

By Notice of Hearing, Statement of Violations and Order of Appearance dated October 26, 2012, OCF ordered the respondent to appear at a scheduled hearing on October 31, 2012 and show cause why he should not be found in violation of the District of Columbia Campaign Finance Act of 2011 (the Act), and fined accordingly.

On October 31, 2012, the respondent appeared at the scheduled hearing and admitted that he used recycled campaign literature for his current campaign for ANC office. The respondent stated that he was not aware that he was not permitted by law to do so. However, the respondent stated that the recycled literature, in fact, contained a notice concerning the payer of the literature, but such notice had been removed from the literature he posted by an unknown party (ies). Consequently, the Hearing Officer directed the respondent to remove all posted, recycled campaign literature by close of business on Thursday, November 1, 2012. The respondent confirmed that he would comply with the Hearing Officer's instruction.

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Having reviewed the record herein, I find the following: (1) that the respondent failed to include the required notice on campaign literature pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.15; and (2) that the respondent distributed recycled campaign literature from a former campaign for office. Accordingly, the respondent is found in violation of D.C. Official Code § 1-1163.15.

WHEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH 3DCMR §3710, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that respondent shall Cease and Desist from distributing recycled campaign literature, and shall remove all such posted campaign literature from SMD 5E01 effective immediately. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a fine of \$500 per violation as prescribed by 3DCMR §3711.2(n).

*November 2, 2012*  
Date

*Cecily B. Collier-Montgomery*  
Cecily Collier-Montgomery  
Director

This Order may be appealed to the Board of Elections within 15 days from the date of issuance.

**SERVICE OF ORDER**

This is to certify that I have served a true copy of the foregoing Order on Candidate William Boston via email at w\_boston @msn.com and by regular mail on November 2, 2012.

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**NOTICE**

Pursuant to 3DCMR §3711.5 (March 2007), any fine imposed by the Director shall become effective on the 16<sup>th</sup> day following the issuance of a decision and order, if the respondent does not request an appeal of this matter. If applicable, within 10 days of the effective date of this order, please make a check or money order payable to the D.C. Treasurer, c/o Office of Campaign Finance, Suite 420, 2000-14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009.