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11	In the Matter of) FPPC No.: 19-464		
12	In the Matter of) FPPC No.: 19-404)		
13	RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018, COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL RAMOS)) DEFAULT DECISION AND) ORDER		
14 15	ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL 2020, DANIEL RAMOS, AND ARLEY ARSINEDA,) (Government Code Sections 11506) and 11520)		
16	Respondents.			
17	respondents.			
18	Complainant, the Enforcement Division of the	Fair Political Practices Commission, hereby		
19	submits this Default Decision and Order for consideration	on by the Fair Political Practices Commission a		
20	its next regularly scheduled meeting.			
21	Pursuant to the California Administrative Procedure Act, ¹ Daniel Ramos ("Daniel"),, Arley			
22	Arsineda ("Arsineda"), the committee Ramos for City Council 2018 (the "Victorville Committee"), and			
23	Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020 (the "Adelanto Committee") have been			
24	served with all the documents necessary to conduct an administrative hearing regarding the above			
25	captioned matter, including the following:			
26	1. An Order Finding Probable Cause;			
27	2. An Accusation;			
28	The California Administrative Procedure Act, which government 1370 through 11529 of the Government Code.	verns administrative adjudications, is contained in		

- 3. A Notice of Defense (Two Copies per Respondent);
- 4. A Statement to Respondent; and
- 5. Copies of Sections 11506, 11507.5, 11507.6 and 11507.7 of the Government Code.

Government Code Section 11506 provides that failure of a respondent to file a Notice of Defense within fifteen days after being served with an Accusation shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing on the merits of the Accusation. The Statement to Respondent served on Daniel, Arsineda, and the Committees, stated that a Notice of Defense must be filed in order to request a hearing. Service was attempted on Ricardo but was not successful. Therefore, Ricardo has been removed as a Respondent. Daniel, Arsineda, and the Committees failed to file a Notice of Defense within fifteen days of being served with an Accusation. Government Code Section 11520 provides that, if the respondent fails to file a Notice of Defense, the Commission may take action, by way of a default, based upon the respondents' express admissions or upon other evidence, and that affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to the respondent.

Daniel, Arsineda, and the Committees violated the Political Reform Act as described in Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of the law and evidence in this matter. This Default Decision and Order is submitted to the Commission to obtain a final disposition of this matter.

Dated:

James M. Lindsay, Chief of Enforcement Fair Political Practices Commission

ORDER

The Commission issues this Default Decision and Order and imposes a total administrative penalty of \$37,500 upon Daniel, Arsineda, and the Committees, payable to the "General Fund of the State of California."

IT IS SO ORDERED, effective upon execution below by the Chair of the Fair Political Practices Commission at Sacramento, California.

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2	Dated: Adam E. Silver, Chair Fair Political Practices Commission
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EXHIBIT 1

INTRODUCTION

Respondent Daniel Ramos ("Daniel") was an unsuccessful candidate for Victorville City Council in the November 6, 2018 General Election and a successful candidate for Adelanto City Council in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Ramos for City Council 2018 (the "Victorville Committee") and Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020 (the "Adelanto Committee") are Daniel's candidate-controlled committees. Ricardo Ramos ("Ricardo") is the treasurer for the Victorville Committee and Respondent Arley Arsineda ("Arsineda") is the treasurer for the Adelanto Committee.

The Political Reform Act (the "Act")¹ requires recipient committees to timely file preelection and semi-annual campaign statements and requires committees to make all expenditures out of and deposit all contributions into one designated campaign bank account.

This matter arose from two referrals from the Victorville City Clerk and Adelanto City Clerk filed with the Fair Political Practices Commission's (the "Commission") Enforcement Division.

The Victorville Committee and Daniel failed to timely file an amendment to the Victorville Committee's statement of organization, two pre-election campaign statements, and ten semi-annual campaign statements. The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file two pre-election campaign statements, six semi-annual campaign statements, and failed to establish one designated campaign bank account.

DEFAULT PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT

When the Commission determines that there is probable cause for believing that the Act has been violated, it may hold a hearing to determine if a violation has occurred.² Notice of the hearing, and the hearing itself, must be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (the "APA").³ A hearing to determine whether the Act has been violated is initiated by the filing of an accusation, which shall be a concise written statement of the charges, specifying the statutes and rules which the respondent is alleged to have violated.⁴

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

² Section 83116

³ The California Administrative Procedure Act, which governs administrative adjudications, is contained in Sections 11370 through 11529 of the Government Code; Section 83116.

⁴ Section 11503.

Included among the rights afforded a respondent under the APA, is the right to file the Notice of Defense with the Commission within 15 days after service of the accusation, by which the respondent may (1) request a hearing; (2) object to the accusation on the ground it does not state acts or omissions upon which the agency may proceed; (3) object to the form of the accusation on the ground that it is so indefinite or uncertain that the respondent cannot identify the transaction or prepare a defense; (4) admit the accusation in whole or in part; (5) present new matter by way of a defense; or (6) object to the accusation on the ground that, under the circumstances, compliance with a Commission regulation would result in a material violation of another department's regulation affecting substantive rights.⁵

The APA provides that a respondent's failure to file a Notice of Defense within 15 days after service of an accusation constitutes a waiver of the respondent's right to a hearing. Moreover, when a respondent fails to file a Notice of Defense, the Commission may take action based on the respondent's express admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to the respondent.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS AND HISTORY

A. Initiation of the Administrative Action

The service of the probable cause hearing notice, as required by Section 83115.5, upon the person alleged to have violated the Act starts the administrative action.⁸

A finding of probable cause may not be made by the Commission unless the person alleged to have violated the Act is 1) notified of the violation by service of process or registered mail with return receipt requested; 2) provided with a summary of the evidence; and 3) informed of his or her right to be present in person and represented by counsel at any proceeding of the Commission held for the purpose of considering whether probable cause exists for believing the person violated the Act. Additionally, the required notice to the alleged violator shall be deemed made on the date of service, the date the registered mail receipt is signed, or if the registered mail receipt is not signed, the date returned by the post office.

No administrative action pursuant to Chapter 3 of the Act alleging a violation of any of the provisions of the Act may be commenced more than five years after the date on which the violation occurred.¹¹

⁵ Section 11506, subd. (a)(1)–(6).

⁶ Section 11506, subd. (c).

⁷ Section 11520, subd. (a).

⁸ Section 91000.5, subd. (a).

⁹ Section 83115.5.

¹⁰ Section 83115.5.

¹¹ Section 91000.5.

Documents supporting the procedural history are included in the attached Certification of Records ("Certification") filed herewith at Exhibit 1, A-1 through A-23, and incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with Sections 83115.5 and 91000.5, the Enforcement Division initiated the administrative action against Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee in this matter by serving them with a Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause (the "Report") (Certification, Exhibit A-1) by certified mail. ¹² Daniel and Ricardo were served with the Report on December 29, 2021. Arsineda was served with the Report on December 27, 2021. (Certification, Exhibit A-2.) The administrative action commenced on December 29, 2021, and the five-year statute of limitations was effectively tolled on this date.

As required by Section 83115.5, the packet served on Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee contained a cover letter and a memorandum describing probable cause proceedings, advising that they had 21 days in which to request a probable cause conference and/or to file a written response to the Report. Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee did not request a probable cause conference or submit a written response to the Report.

Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee were also served with a Second Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause (the "Second Report") (Certification, Exhibit A-3) by certified mail, return receipt requested. ¹³ The Second Report incorporated additional violations occurring after the service of the Report. Ricardo and Arsineda were served with the Second Report on October 2, 2023. Since the registered mail receipt was not signed by Daniel, service was deemed effective on October 14, 2023, the date it was returned by the post office. ¹⁴ (Certification, Exhibit A-4.) The administrative action commenced on October 14, 2023, and the five-year statute of limitations was effectively tolled on this date.

As required by Section 83115.5, the second packet served on Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee contained a cover letter and a memorandum describing probable cause proceedings, advising that they had 21 days in which to request a probable cause conference and/or to file a written response to the Second Report. Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee did not request a probable cause conference or submit a written response to the Report.

B. Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause

Because Daniel, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee failed to request a probable cause conference or submit a written response to the Report and Second

¹² Section 83115.5.

¹³ Section 83115.5.

¹⁴ Section 83115.5.

Report by the statutory deadlines, the Enforcement Division submitted an Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served to the Hearing Officer of the Commission on August 30, 2022 (Certification, Exhibit A-5.) and November 2, 2023. (Certification, Exhibit A-6.)

On September 1, 2022 the Hearing Officer, Legal Division, John M. Feser, issued a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order to Prepare and Serve an Accusation on Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda and the Committees. (Certification, Exhibit A-7.) On November 8, 2023, Jack Woodside issued a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order to Prepare and Serve an Accusation on Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee in response to the Second Report. (Certification, Exhibit A-8.)

C. The Issuance and Service of the Accusation

Under the Act, if the Hearing Officer makes a finding of probable cause, the Enforcement Division must prepare an accusation pursuant to Section 11503 of the APA, and have it served on the persons who are the subject of the probable cause finding.¹⁵

Section 11503 states:

A hearing to determine whether a right, authority, license, or privilege should be revoked, suspended, limited, or conditioned shall be initiated by filing an accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force. The accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force shall be a written statement of charges that shall set forth in ordinary and concise language the acts or omissions with which the respondent is charged, to the end that the respondent will be able to prepare his or her defense. It shall specify the statutes and rules that the respondent is alleged to have violated, but shall not consist merely of charges phrased in the language of those statutes and rules. The accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force shall be verified unless made by a public officer acting in his or her official capacity or by an employee of the agency before which the proceeding is to be held. The verification may be on information and belief.

Upon the filing of the accusation, the agency must 1) serve a copy thereof on the respondent as provided in Section 11505, subdivision (c); 2) include a post card or other form entitled Notice of Defense that, when signed by or on behalf of the respondent and returned to the agency, will acknowledge service of the accusation and constitute a notice of defense under Section 11506; 3) include (i) a statement that respondent may request a hearing by filing a notice of defense as provided in Section 11506 within 15 days after service upon the respondent of the accusation, and that failure to do so will constitute a waiver of the respondent's right to a hearing,

¹⁵ Regulation 18361.4, subd. (e).

and (ii) copies of Sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7. The APA also sets forth the language required in the accompanying statement to the respondent. ¹⁷

The Accusation and accompanying information may be sent to the respondent by any means selected by the agency, but no order adversely affecting the rights of the respondent may be made by the agency in any case unless the respondent has been served personally or by registered mail as set forth in the APA.¹⁸

On January 23, 2024, the Commission's Chief of Enforcement, James M. Lindsay, issued an Accusation against Daniel, Ricardo, Arsineda, and the Committees. (Certification, Exhibit A-9.) In accordance with Section 11505, the Accusation and accompanying information, consisting of a Statement to Respondent, two copies of a Notice of Defense Form for each respondent, copies of Government Code Sections 11506, 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7, was served upon Daniel and the Victorville Committee and the Adelanto Committee by substituted service on February 14, 2024. Furthermore, Arsineda was served on March 15, 2024. Service was attempted on Ricardo but was not successful. Therefore, Ricardo has been removed as a Respondent. (Certification, Exhibit A-10.)

Along with the Accusation, the Enforcement Division served Daniel and Arsineda individually and on behalf of the Victorville Committee and the Adelanto Committee with a "Statement to Respondent," which notified them that they could request a hearing on the merits and warned that, unless a Notice of Defense was filed within 15 days of service of the Accusation, they would be deemed to have waived the right to a hearing. (Certification, Exhibit A-11.) Daniel, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee did not file a Notice of Defense within the statutory time period, which ended on February 28, 2024 for Daniel and March 29, 2024 for Arsineda.

As a result, on April 23, 2024, the Enforcement Division sent a letter to Daniel and Arsineda, individually and on behalf of the Victorville Committee and Adelanto Committee advising that this matter would be submitted for a Default Decision and Order at the Commission's public meeting scheduled for June 20, 2024. (Certification, Exhibit A-22.)

On May 28, 2024, the Enforcement Division sent another letter to Daniel and Arsineda, individually and on behalf of the Victorville Committee and Adelanto Committee advising that this matter would be submitted for a Default Decision and Order at the Commission's public meeting scheduled for June 20, 2024. (Certification, Exhibit A-23.) A copy of the Default Decision and Order, and this accompanying Exhibit 1 with attachments, was included with the letter.

¹⁶ Section 11505, subd. (a).

¹⁷ Section 11505, subd. (b).

¹⁸ Section 11505, subd. (c).

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Act and its regulations are amended from time to time. The violations in this case occurred between 2018 and 2023. For this reason, all legal references and discussions of law pertain to the Act's provisions as they existed at that time.

An express purpose of the Act is to ensure voters are fully informed and improper practices are inhibited by requiring all candidates, as well as the committees that support or oppose them, to disclose all contributions and expenditures made throughout a campaign. Along these lines, the Act includes a comprehensive campaign reporting system.

The Act defines "committee" as any person or combination of persons who receives contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year, 21 commonly known as a "recipient committee." A recipient committee which is controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate, or which acts jointly with a candidate in connection with the making of expenditures, is a "controlled committee." A candidate controls a committee if he or she, his or her agent, or any other committee he or she controls has a significant influence on the actions or decisions of the committee. 23

A candidate who raises contributions of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) or more in a calendar year shall set forth the name and address of the financial institution where the candidate has established a campaign contribution account and the account number on the committee statement of organization. ²⁴ Any contributions or loans to the candidate or committee shall be deposited in the campaign bank account before being utilized. ²⁵ All campaign expenditures shall be made from the account. ²⁶

The Act requires committees and treasurers to file campaign statements at specific times disclosing information regarding contributions received and expenditures made by the committee. Period covered by a campaign statement means the period beginning the day after the closing date of the most recent campaign statement which was required to be filed and ending with the closing date of the statement in question. If a person has not previously filed a campaign statement, the period covered begins on January 1. Whenever the Act requires that a statement or report be filed prior to or not later than a specified date, and the deadline falls on a

¹⁹ Section 81002, subd. (a).

²⁰ Section 84200, et seq.

²¹ Section 82013, subd. (a).

²² Section 82016, subd. (a).

²³ Section 82016, subd. (a).

²⁴ Section 85201, subd, (b)

²⁵ Section 85201, subd. (c)

²⁶ Section 85201, subd. (e)

²⁷ Section 85201, subd. (e).

²⁸ Section 82046, subd. (b)

²⁹ *Id*.

Saturday, Sunday, or official state holiday, the filing deadline for such a statement or report shall be extended to the next regular business day.³⁰

The Act requires committees to file a statement of organization. The committee shall file the original statement of organization with the Secretary of State and shall also file a copy of the statement of organization with the local filing officer with whom the committee is required to file the originals of its campaign reports. The original and copy of the statement of organization shall be filed within 10 days after the committee has qualified as a committee. ³¹ If there is a change in any of the information contained in a statement of organization, an amendment shall be filed within 10 days to reflect the change. ³²

Candidates and candidate-controlled committees must file pre-election campaign statements prior to elections in which the candidate appears on the ballot.³³ For the general election, a committee must file a first pre-election campaign statement no later than 40 days before the election for the reporting period ending 45 days before the election. A committee must file a second pre-election statement no later than 12 days before the election for the reporting period ending 17 days before the election.³⁴

Recipient committees shall file semi-annual campaign statements each year no later than July 31 for the period ending June 30, and no later than January 31 for the period ending December 31.³⁵ A candidate (including an officeholder) is obligated to file campaign statements under the Act until the candidate's status as a candidate is terminated. An officeholder must file campaign statements required under the Act during the entire time the individual holds office.³⁶ The filing obligations of a candidate or officeholder who has one or more controlled committees terminate when the individual has terminated all controlled committees and has left office.³⁷

If a candidate controls more than one committee, they are required to file campaign statements for each controlled committee on the dates the candidate or elected official is required to file statements in connection with the office sought.³⁸

If two or more persons are responsible for any violation, they shall be jointly and severally liable.³⁹

³⁰ Former Regulation 18116, subd. (a), current Section 81005.

³¹ Section 84101.

³² Section 84103.

³³ Section 84200.5, subd. (b)

³⁴ Section 84200.8

³⁵ Section 84200, subd. (a).

³⁶ Regulation 18404, subd. (d).

³⁷ Regulation 18404, subd. (d)(1)

³⁸ Regulation 18405, subd. (a).

³⁹ Section 91006.

SUMMARY OF THE EVIDENCE

Daniel's term on the Adelanto City Council ends in November 2024. The Enforcement Division's investigation involved both the Victorville Committee and the Adelanto Committee, as both Committees were found to have failed to timely file campaign statements. To date, the Victorville Committee, Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda have failed to bring either committee into compliance regarding the delinquent campaign statements.

Victorville Committee

Daniel filed a candidate intention statement with the Victorville City Clerk on July 16, 2018 for the Victorville City Council. (Certification, Exhibit A-12.) Daniel and Ricardo filed an initial statement of organization with the Secretary of State ("SOS") on July 26, 2018 for the Victorville Committee and indicated it had not yet qualified. (Certification, Exhibit A-13.) The SOS assigned the Victorville Committee the identification number 1408126.

The Victorville Committee's first pre-election campaign statement reported \$2,000 in contributions, \$1,722 in expenditures, proving it qualified as a committee on or about September 6, 2018. (Certification, Exhibit A-14.) The Victorville Committee failed to timely file an amendment to the Committee's statement of organization within ten days of qualifying as a committee. The Victorville Committee's second pre-election campaign statement reported \$250 in contributions, \$465 in expenditures, and an ending cash balance of \$0. (Certification, Exhibit A-15.) The Committee's bank records show that the Victorville Committee deposited and withdrew \$2,850 from its campaign bank account through November 2018, which revealed the committee failed to report contributions and expenditures on a semi-annual campaign statement following the election, displayed in the table below. (Certification, Exhibit A-16.)

Additionally, since Daniel was on the 2020 General Election ballot for Adelanto City Council, the Victorville Committee was required to timely file pre-election campaign statements. The Committee was also required to file semi-annual campaign statements since it had not been terminated.

The Victorville City Clerk contacted Daniel via U.S. Mail regarding the matter on January 7, 2019 and February 4, 2019. (Certification, Exhibit A-17.) To date, the Committee remains open and continues to have a filing obligation. The Committee has failed to timely file the following campaign statements with the Victorville City Clerk:

Statement Type	Reporting Period	Due Date	Unreported Activity ⁴⁰
Semi-Annual	10/21/2018 - 12/31/2018	1/31/2019	CTB: \$400 EXP: \$696
Semi-Annual	1/1/2019 - 6/30/2019	7/31/2019	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2019 — 12/31/2019	1/31/2020	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2020 - 6-30/2020	7/31/2020	Unknown
Pre-Election	7/1/2020 — 9/19/2020	9/24/2020	Unknown
Pre-Election	9/20/2020 - 10/17/2020	10/22/2020	Unknown
Semi-Annual	10/18/2020 - 12/31/2020	2/1/2021	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021	8/2/2021	Unknown
Semi-Annual	7/1/2021 — 12/31/2021	1/31/2022	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2022 - 6-30/2022	8/1/2022	Unknown
Semi-Annual	7/1/2022 — 12/31/2022	1/31/2023	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2023 - 6-30/2023	7/31/2023	Unknown

Adelanto Committee

Daniel filed a candidate intention statement with the Adelanto City Clerk on August 3, 2020 for the Adelanto City Council. (Certification, Exhibit A-18.) Daniel and Arsineda filed a statement of organization with the SOS on September 25, 2020 for the Adelanto Committee in connection with the November 3, 2020 General Election and indicated it had not yet qualified. (Certification, Exhibit A-19.) The SOS assigned the Adelanto Committee the identification number 1432891. Additionally, the statement of organization did not disclose an account number where the Adelanto Committee had established a campaign bank account.

The Adelanto Committee failed to timely file campaign statements as follows:

 $^{^{40}}$ According to the 2018 Committee bank account records through June 3, 2019, when the account was closed.

Statement Type	Reporting Period	Due Date	Unreported Activity
Pre-Election	1/1/2020 — 9/19/2020	9/24/2020	Unknown
Pre-Election	9/20/2020 — 10/17/2020	10/22/2020	Unknown
Semi-Annual	10/18/2020 - 12/31/2020	2/1/2021	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021	8/2/2021	Unknown
Semi-Annual	7/1/2021 — 12/31/2021	1/31/2022	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2022 - 6-30/2022	8/1/2022	Unknown
Semi-Annual	7/1/2022 — 12/31/2022	1/31/2023	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2023 - 6-30/2023	7/31/2023	Unknown

The Adelanto City Clerk contacted Daniel via email regarding this matter on September 22, 2020; October 11, 2020; October 27, 2020: and via U.S. Mail on January 5, 2021 and August 23, 2021. (Certification, Exhibit A-20.) To date, the Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda have not filed these campaign statements.

On or about September 20, 2020, photos posted by Daniel on the Adelanto Committee's Facebook page reveal that the Adelanto Committee produced mailers, banners, videos, and signs that advocated for Daniel's election to Adelanto City Council, suggesting that the Committee had raised and spent at least \$2,000 and, therefore, qualified as a recipient committee. (Certification, Exhibit A-21.)

The Adelanto Committee was required to file an amendment to its statement of organization disclosing its date of qualification but failed to do so. The Adelanto Committee has also failed to open, maintain, and utilize any campaign bank account or keep any records regarding its contributions and expenditures.

Summary of Contact

Overall, the Respondents were contacted at least twenty-four times regarding their duty to timely file campaign statements as follows:

- January 7, 2019: Letter from the Victorville City Clerk
- February 4, 2019: Letter from the Victorville City Clerk
- April 10, 2019: Letter and email from the Enforcement Division
- July 18, 2019: Letter and email from the Enforcement Division
- September 22, 2020: Email from the Adelanto City Clerk

- October 11, 2020: Email from the Adelanto City Clerk
- October 27, 2020: Email from the Adelanto City Clerk
- January 5, 2021: Letter from the Adelanto City Clerk
- August 23, 2021: Letter from the Adelanto City Clerk
- The Enforcement Division contacted the Daniel via phone six times and via email two times between June 15, 2021 and October 29, 2021.
- December 21, 2021: Report in Support of Probable Cause served on the Committee's via certified mail
- January 27, 2022: copy of Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served sent via mail
- September 27, 2023: Second Report in Support of Probable Cause served on the Committee's via certified mail
- November 2, 2023: copy of Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served sent via mail
- February 14, 2024: Accusation personally served on Daniel, individually and on behalf of the Committee's
- April 23, 2024: Letter sent via U.S. Mail and email to Daniel and the Committee's informing them that a Default Decision and Order would appear on the agenda for the May 16, 2024 Commission meeting as a notice item
- May 28, 2024: Notice of Intent to Enter Default Decision and Order sent via first class mail to Daniel and the Committee's informing them that the Default Decision and Order would be presented at the June 20, 2024 meeting for Commission action

VIOLATIONS

Daniel, Arsineda and the Committees committed 14 violations of the Act as follows:

COUNT 1

Failure to Timely Amend the Statement of Organization

The Victorville Committee and Daniel had a duty to timely file an amended statement of organization to report its date of qualification by the September 16, 2018 due date. By failing to timely file an amended statement of organization by the September 16, 2018 due date, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Government Code Section 84103.

COUNT 2

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file semi-annual campaign statements for the reporting periods of October 21, 2018 through December 31, 2018 by January 31, 2019 and January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019 by July 31, 2019. By failing to timely file

these semi-annual statements, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.

COUNT 3

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file semi-annual campaign statements for the reporting periods of July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 by January 31, 2020 and January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020 by July 31, 2020. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.

COUNT 4

Failure to Timely File a Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020 by September 24, 2020. By failing to timely file a pre-election campaign statement by the September 24, 2020 due date, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.5.

COUNT 5

Failure to Timely File a Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020 by October 22, 2020. By failing to timely file a pre-election campaign statement by the October 22, 2020 due date, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.5.

COUNT 6

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of October 18, 2020 through December 31, 2020 by February 1, 2021 and January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 by August 2, 2021. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.

COUNT 7

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 by January 31,

2022 and January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 by August 1, 2022. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.

COUNT 8

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Victorville Committee and Daniel were required to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 by January 31, 2023 and January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023 by July 31, 2023. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Victorville Committee and Daniel violated Section 84200.

COUNT 9

Failure to Timely File a Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to file a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020 by September 24, 2020. By failing to timely file a pre-election campaign statement by the September 24, 2020 due date, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 84200.5.

COUNT 10

Failure to Timely File a Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to file a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020 by October 22, 2020. By failing to timely file a pre-election campaign statement by the October 22, 2020 due date, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 84200.5.

COUNT 11

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of October 18, 2020 through December 31, 2020 by February 1, 2021 and January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 by August 2, 2021. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 84200.

COUNT 12

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 by January 31, 2022 and January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022 by August 1, 2022. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 84200.

COUNT 13

Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 by January 31, 2023 and January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023 by July 31, 2023. By failing to timely file these semi-annual statements, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 84200.

COUNT 14

Failure to Establish, Maintain, and Utilize a Campaign Bank Account

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to establish a campaign bank account upon filing a candidate intention statement. By failing to establish, maintain and utilize a campaign bank account by the August 3, 2020 due date, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 85201.

CONCLUSION

This matter consists of 14 counts of violating the Act, which carry a maximum total administrative penalty of \$70,000.⁴¹

In determining the appropriate penalty for a particular violation of the Act, the Enforcement Division considers the typical treatment of a violation in the overall statutory scheme of the Act, with an emphasis on serving the purposes and intent of the Act. Additionally, the Enforcement Division considers the facts and circumstances of the violation in the context of the following factors set forth in Regulation 18361.5 subdivision (e)(1) through (8): (1) The extent and gravity of the public harm caused by the specific violation; (2) The level of experience of the violator with the requirements of the Political Reform Act; (3) Penalties previously imposed by the Commission in comparable cases; (4) The presence or absence of any intention to conceal, deceive or mislead; (5) Whether the violation was deliberate, negligent or inadvertent; (6) Whether the violator demonstrated good faith by consulting the Commission

⁴¹ Section 83116, subd. (c).

staff or any other governmental agency in a manner not constituting complete defense under Government Code Section 83114(b); (7) Whether the violation was isolated or part of a pattern and whether the violator has a prior record of violations of the Political Reform Act or similar laws; and (8) Whether the violator, upon learning of a reporting violation, voluntarily filed amendments to provide full disclosure.⁴²

In this matter, Daniel and the Victorville Committee failed to timely amend a statement of organization, while Daniel, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee failed to timely file four preelection campaign statements, sixteen semi-annual campaign statements, and failed to utilize a campaign bank account.

The Victorville Committee disclosed partial campaign activity through November 6, 2018. For the 2020 Election, neither Committee disclosed any activity prior to the Election, even though evidence shows that the Adelanto Committee produced numerous advertisements. The failure to comply with campaign filing obligations resulted in a lack of complete and accurate information for the voting public regarding Daniel and the Committees' campaign activity before the November 6, 2018 and November 3, 2020 General Elections. Additionally, the Adelanto Committee failed to establish, maintain or utilize a campaign bank account, which negatively impacted the ability to fully investigate and potentially discover additional violations of the Adelanto Committee.

Daniel has no prior violations of the Act but has been a candidate twice and is currently in office. Consequently, he was and is aware that the Act required disclosure of the Committees' campaign activity due to the fact that partial campaign activity was disclosed, and both City Clerks and the Enforcement Division reached out to Daniel regarding past-due filings.

The Enforcement Division determined that there was evidence to support an intent to conceal, deceive, or mislead the public based on Daniel and Arsineda's conduct regarding our attempts to gain compliance. There is also no evidence suggesting that Daniel consulted with or responded to Commission staff or any other governmental agency regarding each Committee's filing obligations. The failure of Daniel, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and the Adelanto Committee to report and file was part of a consistent pattern throughout the course of 2018 and 2020. Daniel, Arsineda, the Victorville Committee, and Adelanto Committee have failed to timely file campaign statements since 2018 and continue to neglect disclosure while each Committee remains open.

The Enforcement Division also takes into consideration previous cases that were approved by the Commission in determining penalties. In this matter, the following cases were used as guidelines.

Count 1

⁴² Regulation 18361.5, subd. (e).

• In the Matter of Eric Payne and Eric Payne for SCCCD 2016 Trustee Area 2, FPPC No. 16/19917. (The Commission approved a default decision on Jule 13, 2019.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to timely amend a statement of organization. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$2,000 per count.

Counts 2-3, 6-8, 11-13

• In the Matter of Friends of Joe Aguirre for Delano City Council 2014 and Joe Aguirre, FPPC No. 17/193. (The Commission approved a default decision on March 24, 2022.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to timely file eight semi-annual campaign statements combined into four counts. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$4,000 per count.

Counts 4-5, 9-10

• In the Matter of Friends of Joe Aguirre for Delano City Council 2014 and Joe Aguirre, FPPC No. 17/193. (The Commission approved a default decision on March 24, 2022.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to timely file four pre-election campaign statements during two elections. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$5,000 per count.

Count 14

• In the Matter of Robert Jordan Funk Committee and Jordan Funk, FPPC No. 18/376. (The Commission approved a stipulated decision on August 24, 2021.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to establish, maintain, and utilize a single designated campaign bank account. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$3,500.

PROPOSED PENALTY

After considering the factors of Regulation 18361.5 and the penalties imposed in prior cases, the following penalties are proposed:

Counts	Violations: Daniel, Arsineda, and Committees	Proposed Penalty per Count
1	Failure to Timely Amend a Statement of Organization	\$2,000
2-3, 6-8, 11-13	Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements	\$4,000
4-5, 9-10	Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statements	\$3,500
14	Failure to Establish, Maintain, and Utilize Campaign Bank Account	\$5,000
	Total:	\$57,500



DECLARATION OF CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS CALIFORNIA FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION Enforcement Division

CERTIFICATION OF RECORDS

The undersigned declares and certifies as follows:

- 1. I am employed as an Associate Governmental Program Analyst by the California Fair Political Practices Commission (Commission). My business address is: California Fair Political Practices Commission, 1102 Q St, Ste 3050, Sacramento, CA 95811.
- 2. I am a duly authorized custodian of the records maintained by the Commission in the Enforcement Division. As such, I am authorized to certify copies of those records as being true and correct copies of the original business records which are in the custody of the Commission.
- 3. I have reviewed documents maintained in FPPC Case No. 19/464; Ramos for City Council 2018, Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020, Daniel Ramos, Ricardo Ramos, and Arley Arsineda and have caused copies to be made of documents contained therein. I certify that the copies attached hereto are true and correct copies of the documents prepared in the normal course of business and which are contained in files maintained by the Commission. The attached documents are as follows:
- EXHIBIT A-1: Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause, dated December 17, 2021
- EXHIBIT A-2: Certified mail receipts and USPS tracking for the Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause and applicable statutes and regulations, dated December 27, 2021 and December 29, 2021
- EXHIBIT A-3: Second Report in Support of Finding of Probable Cause, dated September 27, 2023
- EXHIBIT A-4: Proof of Service for the Second Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause and applicable statutes and regulations, dated September 27, 2023, and accompanying certified mail receipts and USPS tracking

- EXHIBIT A-5: Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served, dated February 3, 2022
- EXHIBIT A-6: Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served, dated November 2, 2023
- EXHIBIT A-7: Finding of Probable Cause and Order to Prepare and Serve an Accusation, dated September 1, 2022
- EXHIBIT A-8: Finding of Probable Cause and Order to Prepare and Serve an Accusation, dated November 8, 2023
- EXHIBIT A-9: Accusation, dated January 19, 2024
- EXHIBIT A-10: Proof of Service on February 14, 2024 and March 15, 2014, for Accusation and accompanying documents from process server, dated February 26, 2024 and March 16, 2024, and non-service report for Ricardo, dated February 13, 2024
- EXHIBIT A-11: Statement to Respondents, Notice of Defense, applicable statutes, and Proof of Service for Accusation and accompanying documents, dated January 24, 2024
- EXHIBIT A-12: Candidate Intention Statement, dated July 16, 2018
- EXHIBIT A-13: Initial Statement of Organization, dated July 26, 2018
- EXHIBIT A-14: Campaign statement, filed September 27, 2018, for the reporting period of January 1, 2018 through November 6, 2018
- EXHIBIT A-15: Campaign statement summary page, for the reporting period September 23, 2018 through October 20, 2018
- EXHIBIT A-16: Relevant pages from Investigation Report No. 4 summarizing subpoenaed records.
- EXHIBIT A-17: Letters from the City of Victorville, dated January 7, 2019 and February 4, 2019
- EXHIBIT A-18: Candidate Intention Statement, filed August 3, 2020
- EXHIBIT A-19: Initial Statement of Organization, filed September 25, 2020
- EXHIBIT A-20: Notifications from the City of Adelanto, dated September 22, 2020; October 11, 2020; October 27, 2020: January 5, 2021; and August 23, 2021
- EXHIBIT A-21: Photos from the Adelanto Committee's Facebook page, posted September 2020

EXHIBIT A-22: Notice of Default Decision and Order, dated April 23, 2024

EXHIBIT A-23: Notice of Intent to Enter Default Decision and Order, dated May 28, 2024.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 21, 2024, at Sacramento, California.

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9	STATE OF 0	CALIFORNIA		
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11	In the Matter of:) FPPC No. 19/00464		
12	DAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2019) REPORT IN SUPPORT OF A FINDING OF) PROBABLE CAUSE		
13	RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018, COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL RAMOS)		
14	ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL 2020, DANIEL RAMOS, RICARDO RAMOS, AND ARLEY) Conference Date: TBA) Conference Time: TBA		
15	ARSINEDA.) Conference Location: Commission Offices) 1102 Q Street, Suite 3000		
16	Respondents.	Sacramento, CA 95811		
17)		
18	INTROI	DUCTION		
19	Respondent Ramos for City Council 2018 (t	he "Victorville Committee") is a candidate-controlled		
20	committee formed on July 26, 2018. Respondent	t Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City		
21	Council 2020 (the "Adelanto Committee") is a candidate-controlled committee formed on September 25,			
22	2020. Respondent Daniel Ramos ("Daniel") was an unsuccessful candidate for the Victorville City			
23	Council in the November 6, 2018 General Election and a successful candidate for the Adelanto City			
24	Council in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Respondent Ricardo Ramos ("Ricardo") is the			
25	treasurer for the Victorville Committee. Respondent Arley Arsineda ("Arsineda") is the treasurer for the			
26	Adelanto Committee.			
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Respondents committed numerous violations of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"), ¹ including a failure to timely file pre-election and semi-annual campaign statements, and an amendment to the statement of organization.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Act and its regulations are amended from time to time. The discussion below regarding jurisdiction, the standard for finding probable cause, and the contents of the probable cause report includes references to current law. Unless otherwise noted, all other legal references and discussions of law pertain to the Act's provisions as they existed at the time of the violations in this case.

Jurisdiction

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "Commission") has primary responsibility for the impartial, effective administration and implementation of the Act.² This includes enforcement through administrative prosecution.³ However, before the Commission's Enforcement Division may commence administrative prosecution by filing/serving an Accusation, a hearing officer (either the General Counsel of the Commission or another attorney in the Commission's Legal Division) must determine whether there is probable cause that supports a reasonable belief or strong suspicion that one or more violations of the Act occurred.⁴ Any finding of probable cause is required by law to be announced publicly, which includes the posting of a summary of the allegations on the Commission's website.⁵ After a finding of probable cause, the Commission may then hold a hearing to determine what violations have occurred—and levy an administrative penalty of up to \$5,000 for each violation.⁶

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code §§ 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practice Commission are contained in §§ 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

² Section 83111.

³ Section 83116.

⁴ Sections 83115.5 and 83116; Regulations 18361, subd. (b), and 18361.4.

⁵ Regulation 18361.4, subd. (g).

⁶ Section 83116; Regulation 18361.4, subd. (g).

Standard for Finding Probable Cause

For the hearing officer to make a finding of probable cause, it is only necessary that he or she be presented with evidence that sufficiently supports a reasonable belief or strong suspicion that the Act has been violated.⁷ Probable cause may only be found if the Respondents were notified of the violations at least 21 days prior to the hearing officer's consideration of the alleged violations.⁸

Contents of the Probable Cause Report

The probable cause report is required to contain a summary of the law and evidence that supports a finding of probable cause that each alleged violation of the Act has occurred, as well as a description of any exculpatory evidence indicating a violation alleged in the report did not occur. The evidence recited in the probable cause report may include hearsay.⁹

Need for Liberal Construction and Vigorous Enforcement of the Political Reform Act

When enacting the Act, the people of California found and declared that previous laws regulating political practices suffered from inadequate enforcement by state and local authorities. ¹⁰ For this reason, the Act is to be construed liberally to accomplish its purposes. ¹¹

One purpose of the Act is to promote transparency by ensuring that receipts and expenditures in election campaigns are fully and truthfully disclosed so that voters are fully informed and improper practices are inhibited. Along these lines, the Act includes a comprehensive campaign reporting system. Another purpose of the Act is to provide adequate enforcement mechanisms so that the Act will be "vigorously enforced."

⁷ Regulation 18361.4, subd. (a). ⁸ Section 83115.5.

⁹ Regulation 18361.4, subd. (b). ¹⁰ Section 81001, subd. (h).

¹¹ Section 81003.

¹² Section 81002, subd. (a).

¹³ Sections 84200, et seq.

¹⁴ Section 81002, subd. (f).

Amendments to Statement of Organization

A candidate-controlled committee must file an amendment within ten days if there is a change to the information contained in the statement of organization, including whether the committee has qualified.¹⁵

Duty to File Campaign Statements

A "committee" includes any person or combination of persons who received contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year. ¹⁶ This is commonly known as a "recipient committee." A recipient committee which is controlled by a candidate, or which acts jointly with a candidate in connection with the making of expenditures, is a "controlled committee." ¹⁷

At the core of the Act's campaign reporting system is the requirement that committees must file campaign statements and reports for certain periods and by certain deadlines. The Act requires candidates and their controlled committees to file campaign statements at specific times disclosing information regarding contributions received and expenditures made by the campaign committees.¹⁸

Duty to File Pre-Election Campaign Statements

A candidate and candidate-controlled committees must file pre-election campaign statements prior to elections in which the candidate appears on the ballot. ¹⁹ For the general election, a committee must file a first pre-election campaign statement no later than 40 days before the election for the reporting period ending 45 days before the election. A committee must file a second pre-election statement no later than 12 days before the election for the reporting period ending 17 days before the election. ²⁰ Whenever the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or official state holiday, the filing deadline for a statement shall

¹⁵ Section 84103.

¹⁶ Section 82013, subd. (a).

¹⁷ Section 82016, subd. (a).

¹⁸ Section 84200, et seq.

¹⁹ Section 84200.5, subd. (b).

²⁰ Sections 84200.8.

be extended to the next regular business day. 21 If a person has not previously filed a campaign statement, the period covered begins on January 1. 22

Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

A committee must file semi-annual campaign statements beginning in the period in which the committee qualified and continuing until the committee terminates.²³ A committee must file a semi-annual statement by January 31 for the period ending December 31 of the previous year, and by July 31 for the period ending June 30.²⁴ Whenever the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or official state holiday, the filing deadline for a statement shall be extended to the next regular business day.²⁵

Multiple Candidate-Controlled Committees

If a candidate controls more than one committee, they are required to file campaign statements for each controlled committee on the dates the candidate or elected official is required to file statements in connection with the office sought.²⁶

Campaign Short Forms for Candidate-Controlled Committees

The Act generally permits a candidate who receives and spends less than \$2,000 to file a Form 470 (Campaign Short Form) by the first pre-election campaign statement deadline. However, a candidate with an open candidate-controlled committee(s) may not file Form 470. Instead, the "office sought" must be disclosed on the Cover Page – Part 2 (section 5) of the candidate-controlled committee(s) Form 460(s).

Candidate and Treasurer Liability

Under the Act, it is a duty of the candidate and the treasurer of a controlled committee to ensure that the committee complies with all the requirements of the Act concerning the receipt, expenditure, and

²¹ Regulation 18116, subd. (a).

²² Section 82046, subd. (b).

²³ Section 84200, subd. (a).

²⁴ Section 84200.

²⁵ Regulation 18116, subd. (a).

²⁶ Regulation 18405, subd (a).

²⁷ Sections 84206 and 84200.8; Regulation 18406.

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reporting of funds. 28 The candidate and treasurer may be held jointly and severally liable, along with the committee, for violations committed by the committee.²⁹

SUMMARY OF THE EVIDENCE

Victorville Committee

In April 2019, the Enforcement Division received a campaign non-filing referral from the Victorville City Clerk for the Victorville Committee's second semi-annual campaign statement of 2018. According to the filing officer for the City of Victorville, the Victorville Committee filed an initial Statement of Organization on July 26, 2018 indicating that the committee had not yet qualified and has not terminated as of the date of this report. The Victorville Committee qualified with \$2,000 in contributions sometime prior to September 27, 2018 according to its first pre-election campaign statement with the reporting period of July 1, 2018 to September 22, 2018. However, the Victorville Committee never filed a Statement of Organization amendment to indicate its qualification date. According to the campaign statements filed, the Victorville Committee reported receiving \$2,250 in contributions and making \$2,187 in expenditures during its lifetime. According to the Victorville filing officer's records, the Victorville Committee timely filed pre-election campaign statements, but the committee failed to timely file for the reporting period of October 21, 2018 through December 31, 2018. In addition, the Victorville Committee has failed to file any subsequent campaign statements.

The Victorville City Clerk attempted to contact the Victorville Committee regarding its failure to file two times via U.S. mail on January 7, 2019 and February 4, 2019 to remind them of their filing obligations. The Enforcement Division contacted the Victorville Committee via U.S. mail and email on April 10, 2019 and May 16, 2019, and again via email and phone on July 18, 2019. Furthermore, the Enforcement Division contacted the Victorville Committee via phone six times and via email two times between June 15, 2021 and October 29, 2021. Neither Daniel nor the Victorville Committee responded to the contact attempts.

²⁸ Sections 81004, 84100, 84104, and 84213; Regulation 18427.

Adelanto Committee

In January 2021, the Enforcement Division received a campaign non-filing referral from the Adelanto City Clerk for the Adelanto Committee's campaign statement due on September 24, 2020. According to the filing officer for the City of Adelanto, the Adelanto Committee filed an initial Statement of Organization, indicating that the committee had not yet qualified, on September 25, 2020 and has not terminated as of the date of this report. Daniel filed a Candidate Intention Statement on August 3, 2020. During its lifetime, the Adelanto Committee did not file any campaign statements according to the City of Adelanto filing officer. Therefore, there has been no disclosure of campaign activity for this committee. Daniel was successful in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Daniel is currently serving as the Mayor Pro Tem on the Adelanto City Council.

The Adelanto City Clerk attempted to contact the Adelanto Committee regarding its failure to file via email on September 22, 2020, October 11, 2020, and October 27, 2021 to remind them of their filing obligations. The Adelanto City Clerk also contacted the Adelanto Committee via email and U.S. Mail on January 5, 2021 and August 23, 2021. The Enforcement Division contacted the Adelanto Committee via phone six times and via email two times between June 15, 2021 and October 29, 2021. Neither Daniel nor the Adelanto Committee responded to the contact attempts.

Campaign Statements

In summary, the Committees failed to timely file the following statements:

Statement Type	Reporting Period	Due	Committee
Semi-annual	10/21/18 - 12/31/18	1/31/19	Victorville
Semi-annual	1/1/19 – 6/30/19	7/31/19	Victorville
Semi-annual	7/1/19 – 12/31/19	1/31/20	Victorville
Semi-annual	1/1/20 - 6/30/20	7/31/20	Victorville
Pre-election	7/1/20* - 9/19/20	9/24/20	Adelanto/Victorville
Pre-election	9/20/20 - 10/17/20	10/22/20	Adelanto/Victorville
Semi-annual	10/18/20 - 12/31/20	2/1/21	Adelanto/Victorville
Semi-annual	1/1/21 - 6/30/21	8/2/21	Victorville/Adelanto
	*The Adelanto Committee was required to report beginning 1/1/20.		

1	Respondents have failed to file the outstanding campaign statements, despite numerous attempts
2	by the filing officers and Enforcement Division to obtain compliance in 2019, 2020, and 2021 by email,
3	U.S. mail, and phone.
4	VIOLATIONS
5	Victorville Committee
6	Count 1: Failure to Timely File Amendment to Statement of Organization
7	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file an amendment to the
8	Committee's statement of organization within 10 days of the qualification as a committee, in violation of
9	Government Code Section 84103, subdivision (a).
10	Count 2: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
11	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
12	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 21, 2018 to December 31, 2018, in
13	violation of Section 84200.
14	Count 3: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
15	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
16	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019, in violation
17	of Section 84200.
18	Count 4: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
19	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
20	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019, in
21	violation of Section 84200.
22	Count 5: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
23	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
24	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020, in violation
25	of Section 84200.
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1	Count 6: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement
2	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
3	pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, in
4	violation of Section 84200.5.
5	Count 7: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement
6	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
7	pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, in
8	violation of Section 84200.5.
9	Count 8: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
10	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's
11	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 18, 2020 to December 31, 2020, in
12	violation of Section 84200.
13	Count 9: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
14	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville
15	Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2021 to June 30,
16	2021, in violation of Section 84200.
17	Adelanto Committee
18	Count 10: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement
19	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's
20	pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, in
21	violation of Section 84200.5.
22	Count 11: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement
23	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's
24	pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, in
25	violation of Section 84200.5.
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1	Count 12: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement		
2	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's		
3	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 18, 2020 to December 31, 2020, in		
4	violation of Section 84200.		
5	Count 13: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement		
6	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's		
7	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, in		
8	violation of Section 84200.		
9	EXCULPATORY INFORMATION		
10	The Adelanto Committee never filed any campaign statements. Therefore, it is possible the		
11	Adelanto Committee never qualified as a committee because it did not report over \$2,000 in contribution		
12	or expenditures. However, as a candidate, Daniel was required to file disclosure statements. Furthermore		
13	open and active Candidate-Controlled Committees cannot file Form 470s.		
14	CONCLUSION		
15	Probable cause exists to believe that the Victorville Committee, Adelanto Committee, Daniel,		
16	Ricardo, and Arsineda violated the Act as detailed above. The Enforcement Division respectfully requests		
17	an order finding probable cause pursuant to Section 83115.5 and Regulation 18361.4.		
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22	FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION Angela J. Brereton		
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11	In the Matter of:) FPPC No. 19-00464		
12	RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018,) SECOND REPORT IN SUPPORT OF A) FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE		
13	COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL RAMOS ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL 2020, DANIEL) Conference Date: TBA		
14	RAMOS, RICARDO RAMOS, AND ARLEY ARSINEDA.) Conference Time: TBA) Conference Location: Commission Offices		
15	AKSINEDA.) 1102 Q Street, Suite 3050) Sacramento, CA 95811		
16	Respondents.)		
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18	INTRO	DUCTION		
19	Respondent Ramos for City Council 2018	(the "Victorville Committee") is a candidate-		
20	controlled committee formed on July 26, 2018. Re	espondent Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos		
21	Adelanto City Council 2020 (the "Adelanto Committee") is a candidate-controlled committee formed			
22	on September 25, 2020. Respondent Daniel Ramos ("Daniel") was an unsuccessful candidate for the			
23	Victorville City Council in the November 6, 2018 General Election and a successful candidate for the			
24	Adelanto City Council in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Respondent Ricardo Ramos			
25	("Ricardo") is the treasurer for the Victorville Committee. Respondent Arley Arsineda ("Arsineda") is			
26	the treasurer for the Adelanto Committee.			
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28	SECOND REPORT IN SUPPORT	OF FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE		

² Section 83111.

The Enforcement Division initiated an administrative action against the Victorville Committee, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, Ricardo and Arsineda in this matter on or around December 17, 2021, by serving them with a Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause (the "First PC Report"). The First PC Report alleges that respondents failed to timely file two pre-election and six semi-annual campaign statements related to the Victorville Committee, and an amendment to the statement of organization related to the Victorville Committee, and failed to timely file two pre-election and two semi-annual campaign statements related to the Adelanto Committee.

Respondents committed several more violations of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),¹ including a failure to timely file semi-annual campaign statements and failure to maintain and utilize a campaign bank account.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Act and its regulations are amended from time to time. The discussion below regarding jurisdiction, the standard for finding probable cause, and the contents of the probable cause report includes references to current law. Unless otherwise noted, all other legal references and discussions of law pertain to the Act's provisions as they existed at the time of the violations in this case.

Jurisdiction

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "Commission") has primary responsibility for the impartial, effective administration and implementation of the Act.² This includes enforcement through administrative prosecution.³ However, before the Commission's Enforcement Division may commence administrative prosecution by filing/serving an Accusation, a hearing officer (either the General Counsel of the Commission or another attorney in the Commission's Legal Division) must determine whether there is probable cause that supports a reasonable belief or strong suspicion that one or more

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¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code §§ 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practice Commission are contained in §§ 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

³ Section 83116.

publicly, which includes the posting of a summary of the allegations on the Commission's website.⁵ After a finding of probable cause, the Commission may then hold a hearing to determine what violations have occurred—and levy an administrative penalty of up to \$5,000 for each violation.⁶

For the hearing officer to make a finding of probable cause, it is only necessary that he or she be presented with evidence that sufficiently supports a reasonable belief or strong suspicion that the Act has been violated. Probable cause may only be found if the Respondents were notified of the violations at least 21 days prior to the hearing officer's consideration of the alleged violations.⁸

The probable cause report is required to contain a summary of the law and evidence that supports a finding of probable cause that each alleged violation of the Act has occurred, as well as a description of any exculpatory evidence indicating a violation alleged in the report did not occur. The evidence recited in the probable cause report may include hearsay.⁹

Need for Liberal Construction and Vigorous Enforcement of the Political Reform Act

When enacting the Act, the people of California found and declared that previous laws regulating political practices suffered from inadequate enforcement by state and local authorities. ¹⁰ For this reason, the Act is to be construed liberally to accomplish its purposes. 11

One purpose of the Act is to promote transparency by ensuring that receipts and expenditures in election campaigns are fully and truthfully disclosed so that voters are fully informed and improper practices are inhibited. 12 Along these lines, the Act includes a comprehensive campaign reporting

¹¹ Section 81003.

¹² Section 81002, subd. (a).

system. ¹³ Another purpose of the Act is to provide adequate enforcement mechanisms so that the Act will be "vigorously enforced." ¹⁴

<u>Definition of Controlled Committee</u>

Under the Act, "committee" means any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly receives contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year. This type of committee is known as a "recipient committee." A recipient committee that is controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate, or which acts jointly with a candidate in the making of expenditures, is a "controlled committee." A candidate controls a committee if they, their agent, or any other committee they control has a significant influence on the actions or decisions of the committee. The committee is they are committeed to the committee that is controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate, or which acts jointly with a candidate in the making of expenditures, is a "controlled committee." A

Duty to Maintain and Exclusively Utilize Campaign Bank Account

Upon the filing of the statement of intention, the individual shall establish one campaign contribution account at an office of a financial institution located in the state. A candidate who raises contributions of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) or more in a calendar year shall set forth the name and address of the financial institution where the candidate has established a campaign contribution account and the account number on the committee statement of organization. Any contributions or loans to the candidate or committee shall be deposited in the campaign bank account before being utilized. All campaign expenditures shall be made from the account.

Duty to File Campaign Statements

The Act requires committees and treasurers to file campaign statements at specific times disclosing information regarding contributions received and expenditures made by the committee.²²

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¹³ Sections 84200, et seq.

¹⁴ Section 81002, subd. (f).

¹⁵ Section 82013, subd. (a).

¹⁶ Section 82016.

¹⁷ Section 82016, subd. (a).

¹⁸ Section 85201, subd. (a).

¹⁹ Section 85201, subd. (b).

²⁰ Section 85201, subd. (c).

²¹ Section 85201, subd. (e).

²² See Section 84200, et seq.

A committee must file semi-annual campaign statements beginning in the period in which the committee qualified and continuing until the committee terminates.²⁶ A committee must file a semiannual statement by January 31 for the period ending December 31 of the previous year, and by July 31 for the period ending June 30.27 Whenever the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or official state holiday, the filing deadline for a statement shall be extended to the next regular business day. ²⁸

Multiple Candidate-Controlled Committees

If a candidate controls more than one committee, they are required to file campaign statements for each controlled committee on the dates the candidate or elected official is required to file statements in connection with the office sought.²⁹

Candidate and Treasurer Liability

Under the Act, it is a duty of the candidate and the treasurer of a controlled committee to ensure that the committee complies with all the requirements of the Act concerning the receipt, expenditure, and reporting of funds.³⁰ The candidate and treasurer may be held jointly and severally liable, along with the committee, for violations committed by the committee.³¹

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²³ Section 82046, subd. (b).

²⁵ Former Regulation 18116, subd. (a), current Section 81005.

²⁶ Section 84200, subd. (a).

²⁷ Section 84200.

²⁸ Regulation 18116, subd. (a).

²⁹ Regulation 18405, subd (a).

³⁰ Sections 81004, 84100, 84104, and 84213; Regulation 18427.

³¹ Sections 83116.5 and 91006.

SUMMARY OF THE EVIDENCE

Victorville Committee

In April 2019, the Enforcement Division received a campaign non-filing referral from the Victorville City Clerk for the Victorville Committee's second semi-annual campaign statement of 2018. According to the filing officer for the City of Victorville, the Victorville Committee filed an initial Statement of Organization on July 26, 2018 indicating that the committee had not yet qualified and has not terminated as of the date of this report. The Victorville Committee qualified with \$2,000 in contributions sometime prior to September 27, 2018 according to its first pre-election campaign statement with the reporting period of July 1, 2018 to September 22, 2018. However, the Victorville Committee never filed a Statement of Organization amendment to indicate its qualification date. According to the campaign statements filed, the Victorville Committee reported receiving \$2,250 in contributions and making \$2,187 in expenditures during its lifetime. According to the Victorville filing officer's records, the Victorville Committee timely filed pre-election campaign statements, but the committee failed to timely file for the reporting period of October 21, 2018 through December 31, 2018. In addition, the Victorville Committee has failed to file any subsequent campaign statements.

The Victorville City Clerk attempted to contact the Victorville Committee regarding its failure to file two times via U.S. mail on January 7, 2019 and February 4, 2019 to remind them of their filing obligations. The Enforcement Division contacted the Victorville Committee via U.S. mail and email on April 10, 2019 and May 16, 2019, and again via email and phone on July 18, 2019. Furthermore, the Enforcement Division contacted the Victorville Committee via phone six times and via email two times between June 15, 2021 and October 29, 2021. None of the Respondents responded to the contact attempts.

Adelanto Committee

In January 2021, the Enforcement Division received a campaign non-filing referral from the Adelanto City Clerk for the Adelanto Committee's campaign statement due on September 24, 2020. According to the filing officer for the City of Adelanto, the Adelanto Committee filed an initial Statement of Organization, indicating that the committee had not yet qualified, on September 25, 2020 and has not

terminated as of the date of this report. Daniel filed a Candidate Intention Statement on August 3, 2020. During its lifetime, the Adelanto Committee did not file any campaign statements according to the City of Adelanto filing officer.

Furthermore, Respondents failed to open, maintain, or utilize a campaign bank account for the Adelanto Committee. On the Adelanto Committee's initial Statement of Organization, Respondents attested under penalty of perjury that the Adelanto Committee established a bank account with Bank of America, and they left the section for the account number blank. According to records maintained by Bank of America, no bank account was established for the Adelanto Committee.

Therefore, there has been no disclosure or records of campaign activity for this committee. Daniel was successful in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Daniel is currently serving as the Mayor Pro Tem on the Adelanto City Council.

The Adelanto City Clerk attempted to contact the Adelanto Committee regarding its failure to file via email on September 22, 2020, October 11, 2020, and October 27, 2021 to remind them of their filing obligations. The Adelanto City Clerk also contacted the Adelanto Committee via email and U.S. Mail on January 5, 2021 and August 23, 2021. The Enforcement Division contacted the Adelanto Committee via phone six times and via email two times between June 15, 2021 and October 29, 2021. None of the Respondents responded to the contact attempts.

Campaign Statements

The chart below summarizes the campaign statements that have not been filed for reporting periods beginning since July 1, 2021:³²:

Statement Type	Reporting Period	Due	Committee
Semi-annual	7/1/21 — 12/31/21	1/31/22	Adelanto/Victorville
Semi-annual	1/1/22 - 6/30/22	8/1/22	Adelanto/Victorville
Semi-annual	7/1/22 — 12/31/22	1/31/23	Adelanto/Victorville
Semi-annual	1/1/23 - 6/30/23	7/31/23	Adelanto/Victorville

³² The late-filed campaign statements for reporting periods occurring before July 1, 2021 were included in the First PC Report.

1	Respondents have failed to file the outstanding campaign statements, despite numerous attempts
2	by the filing officers and Enforcement Division to obtain compliance in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and
3	2023 by email, U.S. mail, and phone.
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5	VIOLATIONS
6	Victorville Committee
7	Count 14: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
8	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville
9	Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2021 to December 31,
10	2021, in violation of Section 84200.
11	Count 15: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
12	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville
13	Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2022 to June 30,
14	2022, in violation of Section 84200.
15	Count 16: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
16	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville
17	Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 to December 31,
18	2022, in violation of Section 84200.
19	Count 17: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
20	The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville
21	Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2023 to June 30,
22	2023, in violation of Section 84200.
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1	Adelanto Committee
2	Count 18: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
3	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's
4	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, in
5	violation of Section 84200.
6	Count 19: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
7	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's
8	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022, in
9	violation of Section 84200.
10	Count 20: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
11	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's
12	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, in
13	violation of Section 84200.
14	Count 21: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement
15	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's
16	semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023, in
17	violation of Section 84200.
18	Count 22: Failure to Establish, Maintain, and Utilize a Campaign Bank Account
19	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to properly establish, maintain, and
20	utilize a campaign bank account upon the filing of the statement of intention, in violation of Section
21	85201.
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23	EXCULPATORY INFORMATION
24	None currently known.
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CONCLUSION Probable cause exists to believe that the Victorville Committee, Adelanto Committee, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda violated the Act as detailed above. The Enforcement Division respectfully requests an order finding probable cause pursuant to Section 83115.5 and Regulation 18361.4. Dated: _____ Respectfully Submitted, FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION James M. Lindsay Enforcement Chief By: Alex J. Rose Commission Counsel **Enforcement Division**



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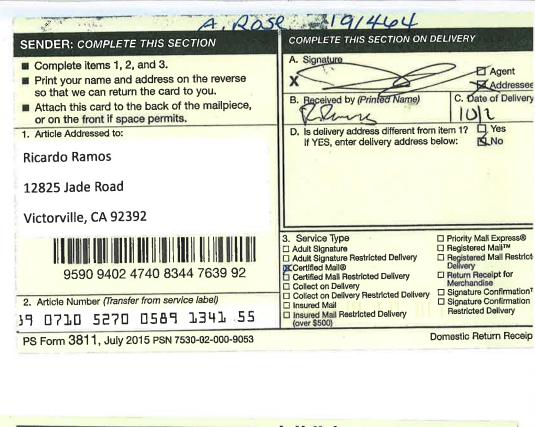
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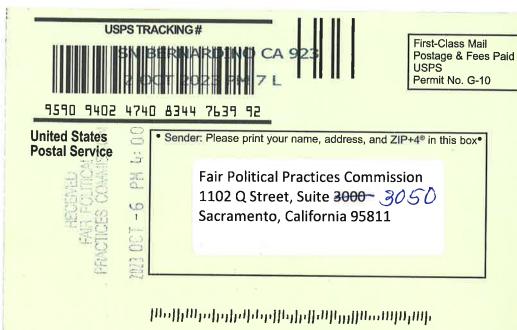
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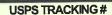
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     proceedings, which was sent to Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda on December 17, 2021 by certified mail,
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     with return receipt requested, and was delivered on December 27, 2021 for Daniel and Ricardo and
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     code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in §§ 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the
     California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.
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In the cover letter dated December 17, 2021, and the attached materials, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda were advised that they could respond in writing to the PC Report and orally present the case to the Hearing Officer at a probable cause conference to be held in Sacramento. Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda were further advised that in order to have a probable cause conference they needed to make a written request for one within 21 days of the date they received the PC Report, or the date requested records were sent by the Enforcement Division. Additionally, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda were advised that if they did not request a probable cause conference, such a conference would not be held and probable cause would be determined based solely on the PC Report and any written response that they submitted within 21 days of the date they were served with the PC Report, or the date requested records were sent by the Enforcement Division. To date, neither Daniel, Ricardo, nor Arsineda have submitted a written response or requested a probable cause conference.

WHEREFORE, based on the attached PC Report, the Enforcement Division requests a finding by the Hearing Officer that probable cause exists to believe that Respondents committed thirteen violations of the Act, stated as follows:

Victorville Committee

Count 1: Failure to Timely File Amendment to Statement of Organization

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file an amendment to the Committee's statement of organization within 10 days of the qualification as a committee, in violation of Government Code Section 84103, subdivision (a).

Count 2: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 21, 2018 to December 31, 2018, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 3: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 4: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 5: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 6: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

Count 7: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

Count 8: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

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Count 9: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, in violation of Section 84200.

Adelanto Committee

Count 10: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

Count 11: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

Count 12: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 18, 2020 to December 31, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 13: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, in violation of Section 84200.

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2	2 A copy of this Request was mailed via	a U.S. Mail to Victorville Committee, Adelanto Committee
3	3 Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda on February 3,	, 2022 at the last known address, as follows:
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11	Victorville, CA 92392	
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14		FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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18		By: Alex Rose Commission Counsel
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           TO THE HEARING OFFICER OF THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION:
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           Pursuant to Section 83115.5 of the Political Reform Act (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> and Regulation 18361.4,
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     Respondents Ramos for City Council 2018 ("Victorville Committee"), Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos
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     Adelanto City Council 2020 ("Adelanto Committee"), Daniel Ramos ("Daniel"), Ricardo Ramos
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     ("Ricardo"), and Arley Arsineda ("Arsineda") were served with a copy of a report in support of a finding
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     of probable cause ("PC Report") in the above-entitled matter.<sup>2</sup> The Second PC Report, attached as
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     "Exhibit A," was part of a packet of materials, including a cover letter and a memorandum describing
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     probable cause proceedings, which was sent to Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda on September 27, 2023 by
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     certified mail, with return receipt requested, and was delivered on October 2, 2023. Furthermore, both
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     this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practice Commission are contained in Sections 18104 through 18998 of Title 2
     of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.
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WHEREFORE, based on the attached PC Report, the Enforcement Division requests a finding by the Hearing Officer that probable cause exists to believe that Respondents committed nine violations of the Act, stated as follows:

Victorville Committee

Count 14: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 15: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 16: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 17: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023, in violation of Section 84200.

Adelanto Committee

Count 18: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 19: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 20: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 21: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023, in violation of Section 84200.

1	Count 22: Failure to Establish, Maintain, and Utilize a Campaign Bank Account				
2	The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to properly establish, maintain, and				
3	utilize a campaign bank account upon the filing of the statement of intention, in violation of Section				
4	85201.				
5	A copy of this Request was mailed via U.S. Mail to Victorville Committee, Adelanto Committee,				
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17	FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION				
18	James M. Lindsay Chief of Enforcement				
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In the Matter of

RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018,
COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL
RAMOS ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL
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RAMOS, AND ARLEY ARSINEDA,
Respondents.

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By means of an Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served, dated February 3, 2022, the Enforcement Division submitted the above-entitled matter to the Hearing Officer for a determination of Probable Cause. As set forth in the Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served ("Ex Parte Request"), the Enforcement Division served a Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause ("PC Report") on Respondents Ramos for City Council 2018 ("Victorville Committee"), Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020 ("Adelanto Committee"), Daniel Ramos ("Daniel"), Ricardo Ramos ("Ricardo"), and Arley Arsineda ("Arsineda") on December 27 and 29, 2021 by certified mail, return receipt requested. Accompanying the PC Report was a packet of materials that informed the Respondents of their right to file a written response to the PC Report and to request a probable cause conference within 21 days following service of the PC Report, or transmittal of any requested records by the Enforcement Division. During the 21 days that followed service of the PC Report, Respondents did not file a response to the PC Report, request records, or request a probable cause conference. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations title 2, section 18361.4, determination of probable cause may be made solely on papers submitted when the respondent does not request a probable cause conference.

In making a probable cause determination, it is the duty of the Hearing Officer of the Fair Political Practices Commission to determine whether probable cause exists to believe that a respondent violated

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations.

the Political Reform Act as alleged by the Enforcement Division in the PC Report served on the respondent.

Probable cause to believe a violation has occurred can be found to exist when "the evidence sufficiently supports a reasonable belief or strong suspicion that the Act has been violated."²

The PC Report served on Respondents the Victorville Committee, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda and the subsequent Ex Parte Request in this matter alleges thirteen violations of the Political Reform Act were committed, as follows:

Victorville Committee

Count 1: Failure to Timely File Amendment to Statement of Organization

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file an amendment to the Committee's statement of organization within 10 days of the qualification as a committee, in violation of Government Code Section 84103, subdivision (a).

Count 2: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 21, 2018 to December 31, 2018, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 3: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 4: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019, in violation of Section 84200.

² Cal. Code Reg., tit. 2, § 18361.4, subd. (a).

Count 5: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 6: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

Count 7: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

Count 8: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 18, 2020 to December 31, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.

Count 9: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, in violation of Section 84200.

Adelanto Committee

Count 10: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement

The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, in violation of Section 84200.5.

FPPC NO. 2019-00464



BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of

RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018.

COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL

2020, DANIEL RAMOS, RICARDO RAMOS, AND ARLEY ARSINEDA,

Respondents.

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RAMOS ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE AND ORDER TO PREPARE AND SERVE AN **ACCUSATION**

Gov. Code § 83115.5

By means of an Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation

Be Prepared and Served, dated November 2, 2023, the Enforcement Division submitted the above-entitled matter to the Hearing Officer for a determination of Probable Cause. As set forth in the Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served ("Ex Parte Request"), the Enforcement Division served a Second Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause ("PC Report") on Respondents Ramos for City Council 2018 ("Victorville Committee"), Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020 ("Adelanto Committee"), Daniel Ramos ("Daniel"),

return receipt requested. Accompanying the PC Report was a packet of materials that informed the Respondents of their right to file a written response to the PC Report and to request a probable cause

Ricardo Ramos ("Ricardo"), and Arley Arsineda ("Arsineda") on September 27, 2023 by certified mail,

conference within 21 days following service of the PC Report, or transmittal of any requested records by the Enforcement Division. During the 21 days that followed service of the PC Report, Respondents did

not file a response to the PC Report, request records, or request a probable cause conference. Pursuant to

California Code of Regulations title 2, section 18361.4, determination of probable cause may be made

solely on papers submitted when the respondent does not request a probable cause conference.

In making a probable cause determination, it is the duty of the Hearing Officer of the Fair Political Practices Commission to determine whether probable cause exists to believe that a respondent violated

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the Political Reform Act as alleged by the Enforcement Division in the PC Report served on the 1 respondent. 2 3 Probable cause to believe a violation has occurred can be found to exist when "the evidence sufficiently supports a reasonable belief or strong suspicion that the Act has been violated."² 4 5 The PC Report served on Respondents the Victorville Committee, the Adelanto Committee, 6 Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda and the subsequent Ex Parte Request in this matter alleges nine violations 7 of the Political Reform Act were committed, as follows: Victorville Committee 8 9 Count 14: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville 10 Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 11 2021, in violation of Section 84200. 12 Count 15: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 13 The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville 14 Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2022 to June 30, 15 2022, in violation of Section 84200. 16 Count 16: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 17 The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville 18 Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 19 2022, in violation of Section 84200. 20 Count 17: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 21 The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file the Victorville 22 Committee's semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2023 to June 30, 23 2023, in violation of Section 84200. 24 /// 25 /// 26 /// 27 ² Cal. Code Reg., tit. 2, § 18361.4, subd. (a). 28

Adelanto Committee 1 Count 18: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 2 The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's 3 semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, in 4 violation of Section 84200. 5 Count 19: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 6 The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's 7 semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022, in 8 violation of Section 84200. 9 Count 20: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 10 The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's 11 semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, in 12 violation of Section 84200. 13 Count 21: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 14 The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely file the Adelanto Committee's 15 semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023, in 16 violation of Section 84200. 17 Count 22: Failure to Establish, Maintain, and Utilize a Campaign Bank Account 18 The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to properly establish, maintain, and 19 utilize a campaign bank account upon the filing of the statement of intention, in violation of Section 20 85201. 21 /// 22 /// 23 /// 24 /// /// 25 /// 26 27

1	I therefore direct that the Enforcement Division issue an accusation against the Respondents th				
2	Victorville Committee, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda in accordance with this				
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18	Complainant, the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission, after a finding							
19	of probable cause pursuant to Government Code Section 83115.5, alleges the following:							
20	<u>JURISDICTION</u>							
21	1. Complainant is the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission (the							
22	"Commission") and makes this Accusation in its official capacity and in the public interest.							
23	2. The authority to bring this action is derived from Title 2, California Code of Regulations,							
24	Sections 18361 and 18361.4, subdivision (g), and the statutory law of the State of California, specifically							
25	including, but not limited to, Government Code Sections 83111, 83116, and 91000.5, which assign to the							
26	Enforcement Division the duty to administer, implement, and enforce the provisions of the Political							
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A. Definition of Controlled Committee

- 11. Under the Act, "committee" means any person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly receives contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year. This type of committee is known as a "recipient committee."
- 12. A recipient committee that is controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate, or which acts jointly with a candidate in the making of expenditures, is a "controlled committee." A candidate controls a committee if they, their agent, or any other committee they control has a significant influence on the actions or decisions of the committee.⁷

B. Duty to Maintain and Exclusively Utilize Campaign Bank Account

- 13. A candidate who raises contributions of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) or more in a calendar year shall set forth the name and address of the financial institution where the candidate has established a campaign contribution account and the account number on the committee statement of organization.⁸
- 14. Any contributions or loans to the candidate or committee shall be deposited in the campaign bank account before being utilized.⁹
 - 15. All campaign expenditures shall be made from the account. 10

C. Duty to File Campaign Statements

- 16. The Act requires committees and treasurers to file campaign statements at specific times disclosing information regarding contributions received and expenditures made by the committee. 11
- 17. "Period covered" by a campaign statement means the period beginning the day after the closing date of the most recent campaign statement which was required to be filed and ending with the

⁵ Section 82013, subd. (a).

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⁷ Section 82016, subd. (a).

⁸ Section 85201, subd. (b).

⁹ Section 85201, subd. (c).

¹⁰ Section 85201, subd. (e).

¹¹ See Section 84200, et seq.

closing date of the statement in question. 12 If a person has not previously filed a campaign statement, the period covered begins on January 1. 13

18. Whenever the Act requires that a statement or report be filed prior to or not later than a specified date, and the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or official state holiday, the filing deadline for such a statement or report shall be extended to the next regular business day.¹⁴

D. Duty to File and Amend Statement of Organization

- 19. The Act requires committees to file a statement of organization. The committee shall file the original statement of organization with the Secretary of State and shall also file a copy of the statement of organization with the local filing officer with whom the committee is required to file the originals of its campaign reports. The original and copy of the statement of organization shall be filed within 10 days after the committee has qualified as a committee.¹⁵
- 20. If there is a change in any of the information contained in a statement of organization, an amendment shall be filed within 10 days to reflect the change. 16

E. Duty to File Pre-Election Campaign Statements

21. Candidates and candidate-controlled committees must file pre-election campaign statements prior to elections in which the candidate appears on the ballot.¹⁷ For the general election, a committee must file a first pre-election campaign statement no later than 40 days before the election for the reporting period ending 45 days before the election. A committee must file a second pre-election statement no later than 12 days before the election for the reporting period ending 17 days before the election.¹⁸

F. Duty to File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

22. Recipient committees shall file semi-annual campaign statements each year no later than July 31 for the period ending June 30, and no later than January 31 for the period ending December 31.¹⁹

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¹² Section 82046, subd. (b).

 $^{^{13}}$ *Id*.

¹⁴ Former Regulation 18116, subd. (a), current Section 81005.

¹⁵ Section 84101.

¹⁶ Section 84103.

¹⁷ Section 84200.5, subd. (b).

¹⁸ Section 84200.8.

¹⁹ Section 84200, subd. (a).

- 23. A candidate (which term includes an officeholder) is obligated to file campaign statements under the Act until the candidate's status as a candidate is terminated. An officeholder must file campaign statements required under the Act during the entire time the individual holds office.²⁰
- 24. The filing obligations of a candidate or officeholder who has one or more controlled committees terminate when the individual has terminated all controlled committees and has left office.²¹

G. Multiple Candidate-Controlled Committees

25. If a candidate controls more than one committee, they are required to file campaign statements for each controlled committee on the dates the candidate or elected official is required to file statements in connection with the office sought.²²

H. Candidate and Treasurer Liability

26. Under the Act, it is a duty of the candidate and the treasurer of a controlled committee to ensure that the committee complies with all the requirements of the Act concerning the receipt, expenditure, and reporting of funds.²³ The candidate and treasurer may be held jointly and severally liable, along with the committee, for violations committed by the committee.²⁴

I. Factors to be Considered by the Fair Political Practices Commission

27. In framing a proposed order following a finding of a violation pursuant to Government Code Section 83116, the Commission and the administrative law judge shall consider all the surrounding circumstances including but not limited to the following factors set forth in Regulation 18361.5 subdivision (e)(1) through (8): (1) The extent and gravity of the public harm caused by the specific violation; (2) The level of experience of the violator with the requirements of the Political Reform Act; (3) Penalties previously imposed by the Commission in comparable cases; (4) The presence or absence of any intention to conceal, deceive or mislead; (5) Whether the violation was deliberate, negligent or inadvertent; (6) Whether the violator demonstrated good faith by consulting the Commission staff or any other governmental agency in a manner not constituting complete defense under Government Code Section 83114(b); (7) Whether the violation was isolated or part of a pattern and whether the violator has

²⁰ Regulation 18404, subd. (d).

²¹ Regulation 18404, subd. (d)(1).

²² Regulation 18405, subd. (a).

²³ Sections 81004, 84100, 84104, and 84213; Regulation 18427.

²⁴ Sections 83116.5 and 91006, and Regulation 18316.6.

²⁶ Filed with the incorrectly stated reporting period of January 1, 2018 through November 6, 2018.

37. According to the Victorville Committee's second pre-election campaign statement filed on October 25, 2018 for the reporting period of September 23, 2018 through October 20, 2018, the Victorville Committee reported receiving \$250 in contributions, making \$465 in expenditures, and an ending cash balance of \$0. This was the last campaign statement the Victorville Committee filed.

- 38. According to bank records obtained pursuant to this investigation, the Victorville Committee deposited and spent a total of \$2,850 into its campaign bank account through November 2018.
- 39. As Daniel and Ricardo have failed to terminate the Victorville Committee, the Victorville Committee continues to have a filing obligation. When the controlling candidate, Daniel, is on the ballot, the Victorville Committee has a duty to timely file pre-election campaign statements related to that election. At all other times, the Victorville Committee has a duty to timely file semi-annual campaign statements.
- 40. According to the Victorville City Clerk, the Victorville Committee has failed to timely file the following campaign statements within the last five years:

Statement Type	Reporting Period	Due Date	Unreported Activity ²⁷
Semi-Annual	10/21/2018 - 12/31/2018	1/31/2019	CTB: \$400 EXP: \$696
Semi-Annual	1/1/2019 – 6/30/2019	7/31/2019	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2019 — 12/31/2019	1/31/2020	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2020 - 6-30/2020	7/31/2020	Unknown
Pre-Election	7/1/2020 — 9/19/2020	9/24/2020	Unknown
Pre-Election	9/20/2020 — 10/17/2020	10/22/2020	Unknown
Semi-Annual	10/18/2020 - 12/31/2020	2/1/2021	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021	8/2/2021	Unknown
Semi-Annual	7/1/2021 — 12/31/2021	1/31/2022	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022	8/1/2022	Unknown
Semi-Annual	7/1/2022 — 12/31/2022	1/31/2023	Unknown
Semi-Annual	1/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	7/31/2023	Unknown

²⁷ According to the Victorville Committee bank account records through June 3, 2019, when the account was closed.

Adelanto Committee

- 41. Daniel filed a candidate intention statement on August 3, 2020 disclosing their intention to be elected to the Adelanto City Council.
- 42. Daniel and Arsineda filed a statement of organization with the SOS on September 25, 2020 for the Adelanto Committee in connection with the November 3, 2020 General Election. Arsineda was named as the Adelanto Committee treasurer. The SOS assigned the Adelanto Committee the identification number, 1432891. At that time, Daniel indicated that the Adelanto Committee had not yet qualified.
- 43. The statement of organization did not disclose an account number where the Adelanto Committee had established a campaign bank account.
- 44. Since Daniel was on the ballot and controlled more than one committee, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda, and the Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo, were required to file pre-election campaign statements for the reporting periods of January 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020 and September 20, 2020 through October 17, 2020 by the September 24, 2020 and October 22, 2020 deadlines.²⁸
- 45. On or about September 20, 2020, photos posted by Daniel on the Adelanto Committee's Facebook page show that the Adelanto Committee produced mailers, banners, videos, and signs that advocated for Daniel's election to Adelanto City Council, suggesting that the Committee had spent at least \$2,000 and, therefore, qualified as a committee.
- 46. The Adelanto Committee was required to file an amendment to its statement of organization disclosing the date of qualification but failed to do so.
- 47. The Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda have not filed any campaign statements to date.
- 48. The Adelanto Committee has also failed to open, maintain, and utilize any campaign bank account or keep any records regarding contributions and expenditures.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

²⁸ Paragraph 40, above, includes the Victorville Committee's missing preelection statements from 2020.

- 49. The Enforcement Division initiated an administrative action against the two Committees, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda in this matter by serving a packet containing a cover letter, a Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause ("PC Report"), a fact sheet regarding probable cause proceedings, selected sections of the Government Code regarding probable cause proceedings for the Commission, and selected regulations of the Commission regarding probable cause proceedings.
- 50. Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda were served with the PC Report, individually and on behalf of the Committees, via certified mail on or about December 27, 2021, December 29, 2021, and October 2, 2023. The information contained in the PC Report packet advised the Committees, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda that they had 21 days in which to request a probable cause conference, file a written response to the PC Report, or both. During the 21 days that followed service of the PC Report, the Committees, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda did not file a response to the PC Report or request a probable cause conference.
- 51. By means of an Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served ("Ex Parte Request"), dated August 30, 2022 and November 2, 2023, the Enforcement Division submitted the matter to the Hearing Officer for a determination of probable cause.
- 52. On or about September 1, 2022 and November 8, 2023, the Hearing Officer issued an order finding, based on the Ex Parte Request and the PC Report, that there was probable cause to believe the Committees, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda violated the Act and directed the Enforcement Division to issue an Accusation against the Committees, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda in accordance with the finding.

VIOLATIONS

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo committed thirteen violations of the Act as follows:

Count 1: Failure to Timely File Amended Statement of Organization to Report Date of Qualification

53. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 1-52 of this Accusation, as though completely set forth here.

a pre-election campaign statement for the period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020 by September 24,

The Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo failed to timely file a pre-election

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By failing to file a semi-annual campaign statement by the February 1, 2021 due date, the

- As a candidate-controlled committee under the Act, and its candidate and treasurer, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda were required to establish a campaign bank account upon the filing of the candidate statement of intention.
- Daniel filed a candidate intention statement on August 3, 2020, but the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda failed to timely establish, maintain and utilize a campaign bank account.
- By failing to establish, maintain and utilize a campaign bank account by the August 3, 2020 due date, the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda violated Section 85201.

MITIGATING OR EXCULPATORY FACTORS

None currently known.

AGGRAVATING FACTORS AND OTHER RELEVANT MATERIALS

- The Adelanto Committee has never filed any campaign statements. Daniel is currently the Mayor Pro Tem of Adelanto, and to date, Daniel has not responded to any communication attempts by the filing officers or the Enforcement Division to file the required campaign statements.
- The Adelanto Committee failed to establish, maintain or utilize a campaign bank account, which negatively impacted the ability to fully investigate and potentially discover additional violations.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays as follows:

- That the Fair Political Practices Commission hold a hearing pursuant to Section 83116 and Regulation 18361.5, and at such hearing find that the Committees, Daniel, Ricardo, and Arsineda violated the Act as alleged herein;
- That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order the Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in Count 1;
- That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order the Victorville Committee, Daniel, and Ricardo to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in Count 2;

- 22. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in Count 21;
- 23. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order the Adelanto Committee, Daniel, and Arsineda to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in Count 22;
- 24. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Regulation 18361.5, subdivision (e), consider the following factors in framing a proposed order following a finding of a violation pursuant to Section 83116: (1) The extent and gravity of the public harm caused by the specific violation; (2) The level of experience of the violator with the requirements of the Political Reform Act; (3) Penalties previously imposed by the Commission in comparable cases; (4) The presence or absence of any intention to conceal, deceive or mislead; (5) Whether the violation was deliberate, negligent or inadvertent; (6) Whether the violator demonstrated good faith by consulting the Commission staff or any other governmental agency in a manner not constituting complete defense under Government Code Section 83114(b); (7) Whether the violation was isolated or part of a pattern and whether the violator has a prior record of violations of the Political Reform Act or similar laws; and (8) Whether the violator, upon learning of a reporting violation, voluntarily filed amendments to provide full disclosure.
- 25. That the Fair Political Practices Commission grant such other and further relief as it deems just and proper.

Dated: January 19, 2024

James M. Lindsay, Chief of Enforcement

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Fair Political Practices Commission



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EFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION	
In the Meter of DAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2040 of all	FPPC No. 19-00464
In the Matter of: RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018 et al.	
DECLARATION OF SERVICE	

I, SINDI BESSENT-CHASSE declare as follows:

I served copies of the following documents: [ACCUSATION (Gov. Code Section 11503); NOTICE OF DEFENSE (Pursuant to Gov. Gode \$11506 (blank)); Statement To Respondent [Government Code Section 11505, subdivision (b)]

- 1. SERVEE: (name): DANIEL RAMOS
- 2. Address where served: 11600 AIR EXPRESSWAY, ADELANTO, CA 92301 (ADELANTO CITY
- 3. **CLERK'S OFFICE**)
- 4. Details of service:

DATE: FEBRUARY 14, 2024 @ 6:34 pm, I served personally served DANIEL RAMOS the abovereferenced documents, after explaining the nature of the documents.

Address where served: 18718 ARBOR COURT, ADELANTO, CA 92301

DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2024 – I <u>mailed</u>, via first class mail, a copy of the above-referenced documents to DANIEL RAMOS at his place of domicile, 18718 ARBOR COURT, ADELANTO, CA 92301.

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Address: 11600 Air Expressway, Adelanto, CA 92301 (City Clerk's Office)

DATE: FEBRUARY 21, 2024 @ 9:51 am, I then served to Brenda Lopez, via Michael Diaz, Accounting

Technician - in Brenda Lopez's absence, a copy of the above-referenced documents.

5. Person Serving:

Independent Contractor - California Registered California Process Server

Name: SINDI BESSENT-CHASSE Firm: BLUE MOON LEGAL

Address: 17100-B BEAR VALLEY RD., #188, VICTORVILLE, CA 92395

Telephone number: 760.553.5055
County: SAN BERNARDINO

Registration No.: 1892

6. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: FEBRUARY 26, 2024

(SIGNATURE)

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DECLARATION of SERVICE	

I, SINDI BESSENT-CHASSE declare as follows:

I served copies of the following documents: [STATEMENT TO RESPONDENT; FPPC Case No. 19-464 ACCUSATION; NOTICE OF DEFENSE (2 COPIES); SELECTED SECTIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT]

- 1. SERVEE: (name): ARLEY ARSINEDA
- 2. Address where served: 11626 ORCHID AVENUE, HESPERIA, CA 92345 (RESIDENCE)
- 3. Details of service:

DATE: MARCH 15, 2024 @ 6:16 pm, BY DELIVERING A COPY OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCUMENTS TO ARLEY ARSINEDA, PERSON-TO-PERSON, HAND-TO-HAND

4. Person Serving:

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Name: SINDI BESSENT-CHASSE Firm: BLUE MOON LEGAL

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5. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: MARCH 16, 2024

(SIGNATURE)

PROOF OF SERVICE

Before the Fair Political Practices Commission

FPPC Case No 2019-00464

Non-Service Report

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States, over the age of eighteen—and I am not a party to the above-referenced action

My business address is:

16980 nisqualli Pd N-102 Victorville CA 92395

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Statement to Respondent,

FPPC Case No. 2019-00464: Accusation;

Notice of Defense for Daniel Ramos (Two Copies);

Notice of Defense for Ricardo Ramos (Two Copies);

Notice of Defense for Arley Arsineda (Two Copies);

Selected Sections of the California Government Code, Administrative Procedure Act.

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Ricardo Ramos

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Before the Fair Political Practices Commission

State of California

In the Matter of)	NOTICE OF DEFENSE (Pursuant to Gov. Code § 11506)
RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018, COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL RAMOS ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL 2020, DANIEL RAMOS, RICARDO RAMOS, AND ARLEY ARSINEDA,)))))))	FPPC Case No. 19-00464
Respondents.		

Daniel Ramos, Ricardo Ramos, and Arley Arsineda, respondents named in the above entitled proceeding, hereby acknowledge receipt of the Accusation, a copy of the Statement to Respondent, a copy of Government Code Sections 11506 through 11508, and two copies of a *NOTICE OF DEFENSE*.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11506, subdivision (a), you may file this *NOTICE OF DEFENSE* requesting a hearing on the grounds listed below. Failure to file this *NOTICE OF DEFENSE* shall constitute a waiver of your right to a hearing. If you waive your right to a hearing, you may file a statement of mitigation by separate letter that will be considered by the Commission in assessing any penalties for the violations alleged in the Accusation.

If you wish to file a *NOTICE OF DEFENSE*, please check <u>all</u> applicable grounds for the *NOTICE OF DEFENSE*, complete the remainder of the form, and mail to the Commission within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the Accusation.

By law, this NOTICE OF DEFENSE, must be in writing and include your mailing address.

You may include your email address and telephone number and indicate if you agree to service by electronic means. If you wish to receive service through electronic means, you must complete and sign the Consent to Electronic Service Agreement (OAH 44). (Enclosed)

See information regarding the Office of Administrative Hearings Secure eFile Transfer (SFT) system at https://www.dgs.ca.gov/OAH/Services/Page-Content/Office-of-Administrative-Hearings-Services-List-Folder/OAH-Secure-e-File-Information

GROUNDS FOR NOTICE OF DEFENSE

	1)	I request a hearing;						
	2)	I object to the Accusation upon the ground that it does not state acts or omissions upon which the agency may proceed;						
	3)	I object to the form of the Accusation on the ground that it is so indefinite or uncertain that I cannot identify the transaction that is the subject of the Accusation or prepare my defense;						
	4)	I admit the Accusation in whole or in part (check	box "a" or "b");					
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☐ b) I admit the Accusation in part as indicated below:								
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	5)	I wish to present new matter by way of defense;						
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FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95811

STATEMENT TO RESPONDENT

[Government Code Section 11505, subdivision (b)]

RAMOS FOR CITY COUNCIL 2018, COMMITTEE TO ELECT DANIEL RAMOS ADELANTO CITY COUNCIL 2020, DANIEL RAMOS, RICARDO RAMOS, AND ARLEY ARSINEDA,

FPPC Case No. 19-464

Enclosed is an Accusation, which was filed with the Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") and which is hereby served upon you, along with two copies of a Notice of Defense and Government Code Sections 11506 through 11508.

Unless a written request for a hearing signed by you or on your behalf is delivered or mailed to the FPPC within 15 days after the Accusation was served on you, the FPPC may proceed upon the Accusation without a hearing. The request for a hearing may be made by delivering or mailing the enclosed form entitled Notice of Defense, or by delivering or mailing a notice of defense as provided by Section 11506 of the Government Code to the Commission Assistant at the FPPC.

You may, but need not, be represented by counsel at any or all stages of these proceedings.

If you desire a list of the names and addresses of witnesses against you, or an opportunity to inspect and copy the items mentioned in Section 11507.6 of the Government Code that are in the possession, custody, or control of this agency, or if you wish to discuss the possibility of resolving this matter without a formal hearing, you may contact Alex Rose, Commission Counsel, Enforcement Division, at (916) 279-3752 or at arose@fppc.ca.gov.

The hearing may be postponed for good cause. If you have good cause, you are obliged to notify the FPPC or, if an administrative law judge has been assigned to the hearing, the Office of Administrative Hearings, within 10 working days after you discover the good cause. Failure to give notice within 10 days will deprive you of a postponement.

After a hearing, the FPPC will consider the following factors in determining whether to assess a penalty (Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 18361.5, subdivision (e)):

- 1. The extent and gravity of the public harm caused by the specific violation;
- 2. The level of experience of the violator with the requirements of the Political Reform Act;
- 3. Penalties previously imposed by the Commission in comparable cases;
- 4. The presence or absence of any intention to conceal, deceive or mislead;
- 5. Whether the violation was deliberate, negligent or inadvertent;
- 6. Whether the violator demonstrated good faith by consulting the Commission staff or any other governmental agency in a manner not constituting complete defense under Government Code Section 83114(b);
- 7. Whether the violation was isolated or part of a pattern and whether the violator has a prior record of violations of the Political Reform Act or similar laws; and

8.	Whether the violator, upon learning of a reporting violation, voluntarily filed amendments to provide full disclosure.

California Government Code sections 11506 through 11508

§ 11506. Filing of notice of defense or notice of participation; Contents; Right to hearing on the merits

- (a) Within 15 days after service of the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force the respondent may file with the agency a notice of defense, or, as applicable, notice of participation, in which the respondent may:
 - (1) Request a hearing.
- (2) Object to the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force upon the ground that it does not state acts or omissions upon which the agency may proceed.
- (3) Object to the form of the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force on the ground that it is so indefinite or uncertain that the respondent cannot identify the transaction or prepare a defense.
 - (4) Admit the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force in whole or in part.
 - (5) Present new matter by way of defense.
- (6) Object to the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force upon the ground that, under the circumstances, compliance with the requirements of a regulation would result in a material violation of another regulation enacted by another department affecting substantive rights.
- **(b)** Within the time specified the respondent may file one or more notices of defense, or, as applicable, notices of participation, upon any or all of these grounds but all of these notices shall be filed within that period unless the agency in its discretion authorizes the filing of a later notice.
- (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent files a notice of defense or notice of participation, and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense or notice of participation shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing. Unless objection is taken as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a), all objections to the form of the accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force shall be deemed waived.
- (d) The notice of defense or notice of participation shall be in writing signed by or on behalf of the respondent and shall state the respondent's mailing address. It need not be verified or follow any particular form.

(e) As used in this section, "file," "files," "filed," or "filing" means "delivered or mailed" to the agency as provided in Section 11505.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1945 ch 867 § 1. Amended Stats 1963 ch 931 § 1; Stats 1982 ch 606 § 1; Stats 1986 ch 951 § 20; Stats 1995 ch 938 § 29 (SB 523), operative July 1, 1997; Stats 2013 ch 90 § 5 (SB 546), effective January 1, 2014.

§ 11507. Amended or supplemental accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force; Objections

At any time before the matter is submitted for decision, the agency may file, or permit the filing of, an amended or supplemental accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force. All parties shall be notified of the filing. If the amended or supplemental accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force presents new charges, the agency shall afford the respondent a reasonable opportunity to prepare his or her defense to the new charges, but he or she shall not be entitled to file a further pleading unless the agency in its discretion so orders. Any new charges shall be deemed controverted, and any objections to the amended or supplemental accusation or District Statement of Reduction in Force may be made orally and shall be noted in the record.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1945 ch 867 § 1. Amended Stats 2013 ch 90 § 6 (SB 546), effective January 1, 2014; Stats 2014 ch 71 § 69 (SB 1304), effective January 1, 2015.

§ 11507.3. Consolidated proceedings; Separate hearings

- (a) When proceedings that involve a common question of law or fact are pending, the administrative law judge on the judge's own motion or on motion of a party may order a joint hearing of any or all the matters at issue in the proceedings. The administrative law judge may order all the proceedings consolidated and may make orders concerning the procedure that may tend to avoid unnecessary costs or delay.
- **(b)** The administrative law judge on the judge's own motion or on motion of a party, in furtherance of convenience or to avoid prejudice or when separate hearings will be conducive to expedition and economy, may order a separate hearing of any issue, including an issue raised in the notice of defense or notice of participation, or of any number of issues.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1995 ch 938 § 30 (SB 523), operative July 1, 1997. Amended Stats 2013 ch 90 § 7 (SB 546), effective January 1, 2014.

§ 11507.5. Exclusivity of discovery provisions

The provisions of Section 11507.6 provide the exclusive right to and method of discovery as to any proceeding governed by this chapter.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1968 ch 808 § 3.

§ 11507.6. Request for discovery

After initiation of a proceeding in which a respondent or other party is entitled to a hearing on the merits, a party, upon written request made to another party, prior to the hearing and within 30 days after service by the agency of the initial pleading or within 15 days after the service of an additional pleading, is entitled to (1) obtain the names and addresses of witnesses to the extent known to the other party, including, but not limited to, those intended to be called to testify at the hearing, and (2) inspect and make a copy of any of the following in the possession or custody or under the control of the other party:

- (a) A statement of a person, other than the respondent, named in the initial administrative pleading, or in any additional pleading, when it is claimed that the act or omission of the respondent as to this person is the basis for the administrative proceeding;
- **(b)** A statement pertaining to the subject matter of the proceeding made by any party to another party or person;
- (c) Statements of witnesses then proposed to be called by the party and of other persons having personal knowledge of the acts, omissions or events which are the basis for the proceeding, not included in (a) or (b) above;
- (d) All writings, including, but not limited to, reports of mental, physical and blood examinations and things which the party then proposes to offer in evidence;
 - (e) Any other writing or thing which is relevant and which would be admissible in evidence;
- (f) Investigative reports made by or on behalf of the agency or other party pertaining to the subject matter of the proceeding, to the extent that these reports (1) contain the names and addresses of witnesses or of persons having personal knowledge of the acts, omissions or events which are the basis for the proceeding, or (2) reflect matters perceived by the investigator in the course of his or her investigation, or (3) contain or include by attachment any statement or writing described in (a) to (e), inclusive, or summary thereof.

For the purpose of this section, "statements" include written statements by the person signed or otherwise authenticated by him or her, stenographic, mechanical, electrical or other recordings, or transcripts thereof, of oral statements by the person, and written reports or summaries of these oral statements.

Nothing in this section shall authorize the inspection or copying of any writing or thing which is privileged from disclosure by law or otherwise made confidential or protected as the attorney's work product.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1968 ch 808 § 4. Amended Stats 1985 ch 1328 § 5; Stats 1995 ch 938 § 31 (SB 523), operative July 1, 1997.

§ 11507.7. Motion to compel discovery; Order

- (a) Any party claiming the party's request for discovery pursuant to Section 11507.6 has not been complied with may serve and file with the administrative law judge a motion to compel discovery, naming as respondent the party refusing or failing to comply with Section 11507.6. The motion shall state facts showing the respondent party failed or refused to comply with Section 11507.6, a description of the matters sought to be discovered, the reason or reasons why the matter is discoverable under that section, that a reasonable and good faith attempt to contact the respondent for an informal resolution of the issue has been made, and the ground or grounds of respondent's refusal so far as known to the moving party.
- **(b)** The motion shall be served upon respondent party and filed within 15 days after the respondent party first evidenced failure or refusal to comply with Section 11507.6 or within 30 days after request was made and the party has failed to reply to the request, or within another time provided by stipulation, whichever period is longer.
- (c) The hearing on the motion to compel discovery shall be held within 15 days after the motion is made, or a later time that the administrative law judge may on the judge's own motion for good cause determine. The respondent party shall have the right to serve and file a written answer or other response to the motion before or at the time of the hearing.
- (d) Where the matter sought to be discovered is under the custody or control of the respondent party and the respondent party asserts that the matter is not a discoverable matter under the provisions of Section 11507.6, or is privileged against disclosure under those provisions, the administrative law judge may order lodged with it matters provided in subdivision (b) of *Section 915 of the Evidence Code* and examine the matters in accordance with its provisions.
- (e) The administrative law judge shall decide the case on the matters examined in camera, the papers filed by the parties, and such oral argument and additional evidence as the administrative law judge may allow.
- (f) Unless otherwise stipulated by the parties, the administrative law judge shall no later than 15 days after the hearing make its order denying or granting the motion. The order shall be in writing setting forth the matters the moving party is entitled to discover under Section 11507.6. A copy of the order shall forthwith be served by mail by the administrative law judge upon the parties. Where the order grants the motion in whole or in part, the order shall not become

effective until 10 days after the date the order is served. Where the order denies relief to the moving party, the order shall be effective on the date it is served.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1968 ch 808 § 5. Amended Stats 1971 ch 1303 § 8; Stats 1980 ch 548 § 2; Stats 1995 ch 938 § 32 (SB 523), operative July 1, 1997.

§ 11508. Time and place of hearing

- (a) The agency shall consult the office, and subject to the availability of its staff, shall determine the time and place of the hearing. The hearing shall be held at a hearing facility maintained by the office in Sacramento, Oakland, Los Angeles, or San Diego and shall be held at the facility that is closest to the location where the transaction occurred or the respondent resides.
- **(b)** Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the hearing may be held at either of the following places:
- (1) A place selected by the agency that is closer to the location where the transaction occurred or the respondent resides.
 - (2) A place within the state selected by agreement of the parties.
- (c) The respondent may move for, and the administrative law judge has discretion to grant or deny, a change in the place of the hearing. A motion for a change in the place of the hearing shall be made within 10 days after service of the notice of hearing on the respondent.

Unless good cause is identified in writing by the administrative law judge, hearings shall be held in a facility maintained by the office.

HISTORY: Added Stats 1945 ch 867 § 1. Amended Stats 1963 ch 710 § 1; Stats 1967 ch 17 § 39; Stats 1987 ch 50 § 1; Stats 1995 ch 938 § 33 (SB 523), operative July 1, 1997; Stats 2005 ch 674 § 22 (SB 231), effective January 1, 2006.

PROOF OF SERVICE

At the time of service, I was over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. My business address is Fair Political Practices Commission, 1102 Q Street, Suite 3000, Sacramento, California 95811. On January 24, 2024, I served the following document(s):

- 1. Statement to Respondent;
- 2. FPPC Case No. 2019-00464: Accusation;
- 3. Notice of Defense for Daniel Ramos (Two Copies);
- 4. Notice of Defense for Ricardo Ramos (Two Copies);
- 5. Notice of Defense for Arley Arsineda (Two Copies);
- 6. Selected Sections of the California Government Code, Administrative Procedure Act.

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I am a resident or employed in the county where the mailing occurred. The envelope or package was placed in the mail in Sacramento County, California.

SERVICE LIST

Daniel Ramos dramos@ci.adelanto.ca.us 18718 Arbor Court Adelanto, CA 92301

Ricardo Ramos Rickramos63@yahoo.com 12825 Jade Road Victorville, CA 92392

Arley Arsineda 15402 W. Sage St. Suite 208 Victorville, CA 92392 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. Executed on January 24, 2024.

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Statement of Organization CALIFORNIA Recipient Committee FORM INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE Page 2 COMMITTEE NAME I.D. NUMBER Ramos For Council 2018 1408126 All committees must list the financial institution where the campaign bank account is located. NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION AREA CODE/PHONE BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER 325 093 562 418 Bank of STATE ZIP CODE Bear 16990 92395 4. Type of Committee Complete the applicable sections. Controlled Committee • List the name of each controlling officeholder, candidate, or state measure proponent. If candidate or officeholder controlled, also list the elective office sought or held, and district number, if any, and the year of the election. • List the political party with which each officeholder or candidate is affiliated or check "nonpartisan." Stating "No party preference" is acceptable. • If this committee acts jointly with another controlled committee, list the name and identification number of the other controlled committee. ELECTIVE OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD YEAR OF PARTY NAME OF CANDIDATE/OFFICEHOLDER/STATE MEASURE PROPONENT (INCLUDE DISTRICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE) ELECTION CHECK ONE Partisan ((list political party below) Nonpartisan J. Ramos 2018 Partisan (list political party below) Nonpartisan Primarily Formed Committee Primarily formed to support or oppose specific candidates or measures in a single election. List below: CANDIDATE(S) NAME OR MEASURE(S) FULL TITLE (INCLUDE BALLOT NO, OR LETTER) CANDIDATE(S) OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD OR MEASURE(S) JURISDICTION IF A RECALL, STATE "RECALL" IN FRONT OF THE OFFICEHOLDER'S NAME. (INCLUDE DISTRICT NO., CITY OR COUNTY, AS APPLICABLE) CHECK ONE SUPPORT OPPOSE

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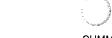
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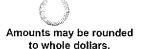
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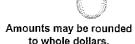
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Schedule B – Part 2 Loan Guarantors

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Schedule C **Nonmonetary Contributions Received**

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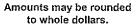
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SCC - Small Contributor Committee

Schedule D
Summary of Expenditures
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Schedule D (Continuation Sheet) Summary of Expenditures Supporting/Opposing Other Candidates, Measures and Committees

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Schedule E **Payments Made**



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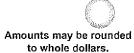
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Schedule E (Continuation Sheet) Payments Made





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Schedule F (Continuation Sheet) Accrued Expenses (Unpaid Bills)

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Payments Made by an Agent or Independent **Contractor (on Behalf of This Committee)**



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FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION INVESTIGATION SUMMARY REPORT

FPPC CASE NO: 2019-00464 CASE NAME: Ramos for City Council 2018, Daniel

Ramos, Arley Arsineda

REPORT TYPE: Investigation Summary

PREPARED BY: Ann Flaherty

REPORT NO. 4

REPORT DATE: May 18, 2023 **CASE ATTORNEY:** Alex Rose

NARRATIVE:

Respondent Daniel Ramos for City Council 2018 was a candidate-controlled committee formed on July 26, 2018. Respondent Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020 was a candidate-controlled committee formed on September 25, 2020. Respondent Daniel Ramos was an unsuccessful candidate for the Victorville City Council in the November 6, 2018 General Election and a successful candidate for the Adelanto City Council in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Ricardo Ramos was the named treasurer for the Victorville Committee but has since been removed as a Respondent. (See IR#2) Respondent Arley Arsineda is the treasurer for the 2020 Adelanto Committee. Pursuant to this matter, an accusation has been issued, alleging multiple violations of the Act. Pursuant to said accusation, I attempted to obtain bank records that were never produced by Daniel Ramos, to our agency.

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FPPC subpoena No 190464-02 Bank of America.pdf

Subpoena # 190464-01

The Daniel Ramos for City Council 2018 committee filed a Form 410 on 7/26/2018 and reported the committee bank account as being held with Bank of America and the committee bank account number was reported as 325 093 562 418. Subsequently, a subpoena was served on Bank of America and the following is a summary of said records.

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All committees must list the financial institution where the campaign bank	k account is located.		
NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	AREA CODE/PHONE	BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER	
Bank of America	(760) 261-3906	325 093 562 41	IB .
1690 Boar Valley rd.		STATE ZIP CODE	
4. Type of Committee Complete the applicable sections.	VictorVille Co	92395	
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Daniel Ramos Bank of America Bank Statements								
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It should be noted that the last Form 460, filed my Ramos in 2018, for the reporting period of 1/1/2018-11/6/2018, he reported \$2000 in contributions and \$1722 in expenditures:



CITY OF VICTORVILLE



760.955.5000 FAX 760.236.0013 vville@victorvilleca.gov http:// victorvilleca.gov

14343 Civic Drive P.O. Box 5001 Victorville, California 92393-5001

January 7, 2019

Mr. Daniel J. Ramos 13204 Wrangler Lane Victorville, CA 92392

Re: Form 460 Semi-Annual Campaign Statement Filing

Dear Mr. Ramos:

Please be advised that the semi-annual filing for the period October 22, 2018 through December 31, 2018 is due in the City Clerk's office no later than **5:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 31, 2019.**

The form can be located at the California Fair Political Practices Commission website at www.fppc.ca.gov. If you have any questions, please contact me at 760-955-5026.

Sincerely,

Ame

Charlene Robinson

City Clerk

CR:hr

Enclosure

CITY OF VICTORVILLE



760.955.5000 FAX 760.236.0013 vville@victorvilleca.gov http:// victorvilleca.gov

14343 Civic Drive P.O. Box 5001 Victorville, California 92393-5001

February 4, 2019

Mr. Daniel J. Ramos 13204 Wrangler Lane Victorville, CA 92392

Re: Form 460 Semi-Annual Campaign Statement Filing

Dear Mr. Ramos:

On January 7, 2019 I sent you a letter requesting that you complete the Form 460 semi-annual campaign statement for the period October 22, 2018 through December 31, 2018. This letter is a reminder that the Form 460 was due in the City Clerk's office on **Thursday**, **January 31, 2019**.

The form can be located at the California Fair Political Practices Commission website at www.fppc.ca.gov. If you have any questions, please contact me at 760-955-5026.

Sincerely,

Charlene Robinson

City Clerk

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Candidate Intention Statement		Date Stamp CLERK CALIFORNIA 501
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City Council		DISTRICT NUMBER, if applicable. NON-PARTISAN OFFICE
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FPPC Form 501 (August/2018) FPPC Advice: advice@fppc.ca.gov (866/275-3772) www.fppc.ca.gov

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FPPC Form 410 (August/2018)

FPPC Advice: advice@fppc.ca.gov (866/275-3772)

www.fppc.ca.gov

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Statement of Organization Recipient Committee

INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

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- This committee has ceased to receive contributions and make expenditures;
- This committee does not anticipate receiving contributions or making expenditures in the future;
- This committee has eliminated or has no intention or ability to discharge all debts, loans received, and other obligations;
- This committee has no surplus funds; and
- This committee has filed all campaign statements required by the Political Reform Act disclosing all reportable transactions.
 - There are restrictions on the disposition of surplus campaign funds held by elected officers who are leaving office and by defeated candidates. Refer to Government Code Section 89519.
 - Leftover funds of ballot measure committees may be used for political, legislative or governmental purposes under Government Code Sections 89511 89518, and are subject to Elections Code Section 18680 and FPPC Regulation 18521.5.



Brenda Lopez

From: Brenda Lopez

Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 9:22 AM

To: Brenda Lopez

Subject: FW: FPPC 460 or 470 Past Due

Attachments: 460.pdf; 470.pdf; 3. FPPC Deadlines.pdf

Importance: High

From: Brenda Lopez

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 11:25 AM

To: 'mrdramos2010@gmail.com' Cc: Lloyd Pilchen; Jessie Flores Subject: FPPC 460 or 470 Past Due

Good Morning Mr. Ramos,

The City has not received a 460 or a 470 form from you which was due on September 24th. If you are a 460 filer, we will also need the 2nd Pre-Election Statement which was due on October 22, 2020.

Candidates who have raised/spent \$2,000 or more file the Form 460. The Form 410 (Statement of Organization) must also be filed once \$2,000 or more has been raised/spent.

The Political Reform Act prohibits filing officers from extending a filing deadline.

Brenda Lopez, CMC | City Clerk City of Adelanto o: 760.246.2300, ext. 11123 c: 442.242.5225 11600 Air Expressway Adelanto, CA 92301

www.ci.adelanto.ca.ushttp://www.ci.adelanto.ca.us

From: Brenda Lopez

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2020 7:08 PM

To: 'mrdramos2010@gmail.com' <mrdramos2010@gmail.com>

Cc: Virginia Cervantes < vcervantes @ci.adelanto.ca.us>; Jessie Flores < JFlores @ci.adelanto.ca.us>; Lloyd Pilchen

<lpilchen@omlolaw.com>

Subject: FPPC 460 or 470 Past Due

Importance: High

Good Evening Mr. Ramos,

Your 1st Election Campaign Statement was due on September 24, 2020 and is now past due. Please send in either a 460 or 470 form no later than October 15, 2020. (see the information below on which form you should file). You can mail the form in, make an appointment and drop it off in person, or drop it off in the Mail Slot where water payments are made.

Thank you

Brenda

From: Brenda Lopez

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 4:00 PM

To: Brenda Lopez ; Virginia Cervantes

Cc: Lloyd Pilchen; Jessie Flores Subject: FPPC 460 or 470 Deadline

Importance: High

Good Afternoon Candidates (Bcc):

This is your reminder the deadline is tomorrow to file your 1st Pre-Election campaign statement. The period covering is 7/1/20 - 9/19/20. Some of you will be 460 filers and others will be 470. But, either way you will have to file one of these documents with the City Clerk's office by the deadline. I have attached the forms for you to use along with the FPPC Deadlines.

If you are unsure of which document to file – then please feel free to contact me (760) 246-2300 ext. 11123 or FPPC at 866-275-3772. Remember if you plan to spend or raise over \$2,000 it will be a 460. However, if you don't plan on spending or raising \$2,000 then it will be the 470 form.

You can call and make an appointment to drop off your paper filing or it can be filed by first class mail.

Thank you,

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Gabriel Reyes
Mayor

Gerardo Hernandez *Mayor Pro Tem*

Ed CamargoCouncil Member

Stevevonna Evans
Council Member

Joy Jeannette
Council Member

Jessie Flores
City Manager

January 5, 2021

Sent Via E-mail and First Class Mail

Daniel Ramos 18718 Arbor Court Adelanto CA 92301 Mrdramos2010@gmail.com DRamos@ci.adelanto.ca.us

Re: Form 460 or 470 – Past Due

Dear Mr. Ramos

On October 11th and 27th, 2020 our office wrote to you stating that we have not received your campaign disclosure statement, Form 460, or 470 which was due on September 24, 2020, and October 22, 2020.

To date, our office has not received this statement. Government Code Section 91013 imposes a fine of \$10 per day after the filing deadline until the statement is filed. The liability is limited to the cumulative amount of contributions received or expenditures made for the period covered by the late statement or \$100, whichever is greater. You now owe \$100 to the City of Adelanto, because it has been more than three (3) months since your statement was due. There are no provisions for extending a deadline for submission of the statement under the Political Reform Act of 1974. Please remit the amount of \$100 immediately to the City of Adelanto.

If you have filed this statement, please contact our office so that we may verify our records.

This matter will be referred to the Fair Political Practices Commission's Enforcement Division.

Sincerely,

Brenda Lopez

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Filing Official

cc: Jessie Flores, City Manager

Lloyd Pilchen – Olivarez, Madruga, Lemieux, O'Neill



Gabriel Reyes
Mayor

Daniel Ramos Mayor Pro Tem

Joy Jeannette
Council Member

Stevevonna Evans
Council Member

Keron Jones Council Member

Jessie Flores
City Manager

August 23, 2021

Sent Via E-mail and First Class Mail

Daniel Ramos 18718 Arbor Court Adelanto CA 92301 Mrdramos2010@gmail.com DRamos@ci.adelanto.ca.us

Re: Form 460 or 470 – Past Due

Dear Mr. Ramos

On October 11th 27th, 2020 and January 5, 2021, our office wrote to you stating that we have not received your campaign disclosure statement, Form 460, or 470 which was due on September 24, 2020, and October 22, 2020. Since then two more deadlines have passed we are missing your statements that were due February 1, 2021, and August 2, 2021, for reporting period October 18, 2020 – December 31, 2020 and January 1, 2021 – June 30, 2021.

To date, our office has not received any statements or the \$100. due. Government Code Section 91013 imposes a fine of \$10 per day after the filing deadline until the statement is filed. The liability is limited to the cumulative amount of contributions received or expenditures made for the period covered by the late statement or \$100, whichever is greater. You now owe \$100 to the City of Adelanto, because it has been more than six (6) months since your statements were due. There are no provisions for extending a deadline for submission of the statement under the Political Reform Act of 1974. Please remit the amount of \$100 immediately to the City of Adelanto.

If you have filed this statement, please contact our office so that we may verify our records.

This matter will again be referred to the Fair Political Practices Commission's Enforcement Division.

Sincerely,

Brenda Lopez

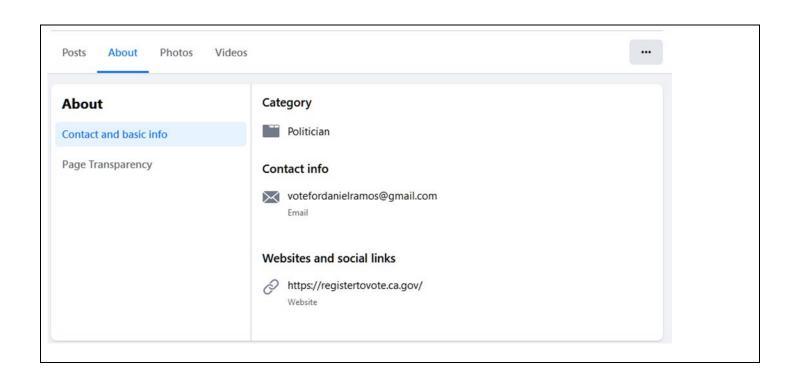
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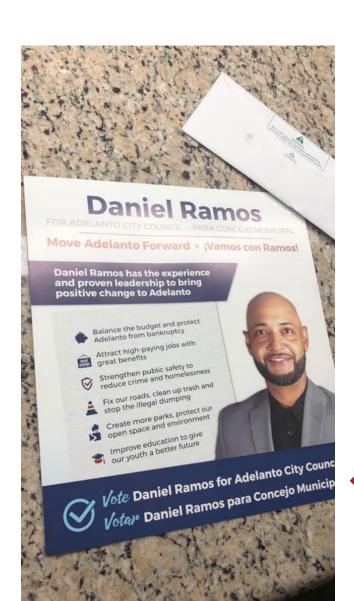
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And here we Gooooo!!! First official signs are up!! Every drop AND every Vote counts! **™**Please be sure and REGISTER to Vote ✓

Our Team is committed to sharing our blessings with our community immediately $\stackrel{\mbox{\scriptsize ep}}{=}$

Our campaign signs will be placed all throughout our city. However, they are not just campaign signs, some are WINNING tickets!
 A select amount of signs will have prizes you can instantly WIN and here's how......

If you see a sign which has a message written on the back of it in red marker you WIN that prize. You must:

- 1) Take a picture of the message AND in front of the sign.
- 2) Post both pictures on FB and tag my page.
- 3) Must be following me as well.
- 4) The FIRST individual to post the picture WINS the prize.
- 5) MUST be an Adelanto resident.

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That's it!! Find the message and you WIN!! You cannot Win more than one prize and messages will be posted on random signs throughout the next 45 days. So make sure to check the same sign more than once 3 Good luck!!

PLEASE HELP SHARE THIS POST! 😊

#registertovote #voteramos #AdelantoCityCouncil #2020 #continueforward #positiveenergy #protectourfuture #positivechange #provenresults







CONGRATULATIONS TO Ese Worm and his family!! The first to find one of our signs with a WINNING message on the back of it!! You WON a FREE Door Dash dinner for you and the family!! Please message me so we can coordinate and plan your FREE DINNER!! Thank you for your continued support!! I appreciate you!! Please remember to Vote on November 3rd Lets continue moving Adelanto forward!!

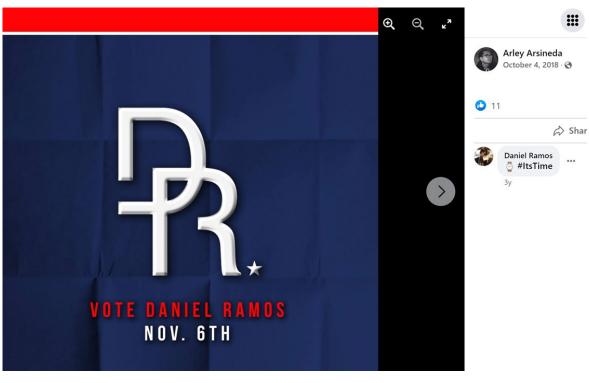


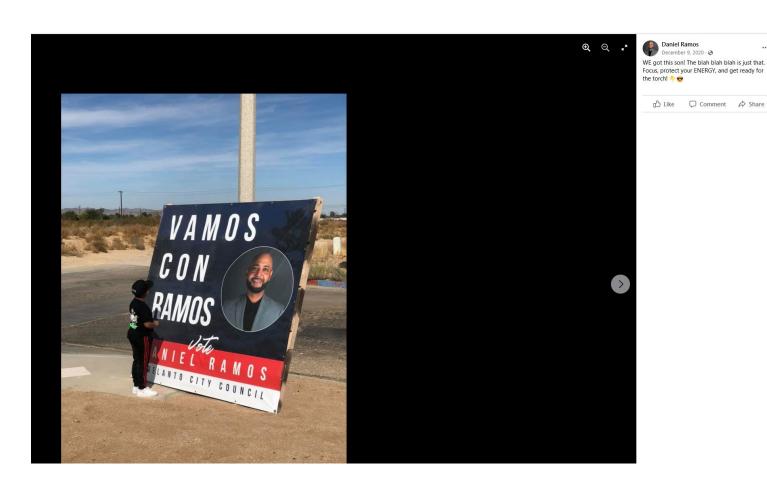




This election, my good friend Daniel Ramos is running for Adelanto city council. I encourage you to do your research on him, ask him questions and if he's the proper candidate for your city, vote for him. Adelanto residence, you won't be disappointed.











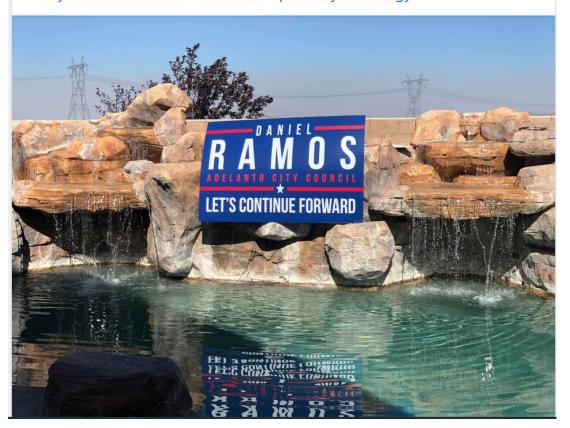




What's your favorite way to spend Sunday mornings?

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#sundayfunday #sundaymorningvibes #positiveenergy #doyouevenmeditate #waterfalls #protectyourenergy







King is delivering our first official GIGANTIC yard sign!! 😂 😃 🙌

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#vote2020 #VoteRamos #AdelantoCityCouncil #LetsContinueForward #ProvenResults #ProtectOurFuture #ItsGoTime #NoNegativeEnergy















Daniel Ramos 18718 Arbor Court Adelanto, CA 92301

Arley Arsineda 11626 Orchid Avenue Hesperia, CA 92345

NOTICE OF DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER

Re: FPPC No. 19/464, In the Matter of Ramos for City Council 2018, Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020, Daniel Ramos, Ricardo Ramos, and Arley Arsineda

April 23, 2024

Dear Respondents:

On February 14, 2024, and March 15, 2024, you were personally served with an accusation in the above-referenced matter. Pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, you were required to file a notice of defense within 15 days after service of the accusation to request an administrative hearing. You did not file a notice of defense. As a result, you have waived your right to an administrative hearing.

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "Commission") will proceed with a default, decision and order ("default") against you. The initial notice of this default will appear on the published agenda for the Commission's public meeting on May 16, 2024. This agenda will be public and you could be contacted by the media with questions. The Commission will be asked to adopt the default at the subsequent public meeting on June 20, 2024 and impose an administrative penalty of \$57,500 against you.

Following the issuance of the default, the Commission will obtain a judgment in superior court for the amount owed and then take action to collect the judgment. Please be advised that administrative penalties for violations of the Political Reform Act cannot be discharged in bankruptcy proceedings.

You may still resolve this matter informally by way of a stipulated settlement if an agreement can be reached prior to this matter appearing for consideration by the Commission. Please contact me at (279) 237-3752 or arose@fppc.ca.gov if you wish to enter into a settlement to resolve this matter in its entirety.

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¹ Government Code section 11505.

Alex Rose

Alex Rose Commission Counsel Enforcement Division



May 28, 2024

Daniel Ramos 18718 Arbor Court Adelanto, CA 92301

Arley Arsineda 11626 Orchid Avenue Hesperia, CA 92345

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER

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You may, but you are not required to, provide a response brief, along with any supporting materials, no later than five calendar days before the Commission hearing at which the default is scheduled to be heard. Your response brief must be served on the Commission Assistant, at the above address.

Following the issuance of the default order and imposition of the administrative penalty, we will commence legal proceedings to collect this fine, which may include converting the Commission's order to a court judgment. Please be advised that administrative penalties for violations of the Political Reform Act cannot be discharged in bankruptcy proceedings.

This letter is your last opportunity to resolve this matter informally by way of a stipulated

¹ Government Code Section 11505.

settlement, before the default proceedings are commenced. If we do not reach a resolution, the enclosed documents will be placed on the Commission's agenda for the June 20, 2024 meeting. contact me at (279) 237-3752 or arose@fppc.ca.gov if you wish to enter into a negotiated settlement.

Sincerely,

Alex Rose

Alex Rose Commission Counsel Enforcement Division

Enclosures: Default Decision and Order, Exhibit 1 and attachments

ADDENDUM TO EXHIBIT 1

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Fair Political Practices Commission's request at the August 15, 2024 Commission Meeting, Complainant, the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission, hereby submits this Addendum to Exhibit 1 in support of the Default Decision and Order for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

DISCUSSION

In June 2024, subsequent to the pre-notice default posting on the May 16, 2024 FPPC agenda, Respondent Daniel Ramos ("Ramos"), after years of unresponsiveness, initiated contact and filed outstanding Form 460 filings for the Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020 (the "Adelanto Committee") for the reporting periods between July 1, 2020 and December 31, 2023. Despite substantial evidence of campaign activity prior to the 2020 election, only two contributions totaling \$2,000 are reported and only 5 expenditures totaling \$1,841.20, \$1,540.00 of which were allegedly related to campaign signs and banners, were reported. The following chart represents the campaign activity finally reported by Ramos in June 2024.

Daniel Ramos for Adelanto City Council 2020-2023 filed June 2024							
Reporting Period	Schedule	Contributor or Payee	Code	Description	Contribution	Expenditure	
07/01/2020-09/19/2020	SCH A Contributions	None Reported					
07/01/2020-09/19/2020	SCH E Expenditures	None Reported					
09/20/2020-10/17/2020	SCH A Contributions	California Real Estate Political Action Committee (CREPAC)	СОМ		\$500.00		
09/20/2020-10/17/2020	SCH A Contributions	Inland Empire Taxpayers Association	ОТН		\$1,500.00		
09/20/2020-10/17/2020	SCH E Expenditures	None Reported					
10/18/2020-12/31/2020	SCH E Expenditures	Zoo Printing	CMP	Payment for yard signs		\$440.00	
10/18/2020-12/31/2020	SCH E Expenditures	Zoo Printing	CMP	Payment for Large Road Sign		\$800.00	
10/18/2020-12/31/2020	SCH E Expenditures	Zoo Printing	CMP	Payment for campaign Banners		\$300.00	
10/18/2020-12/31/2020	SCH E Expenditures	Priceline	TRC	Payment for overnight lodging (Meeting with campaign consultant)		\$134.92	
10/18/2020-12/31/2020	SCH E Expenditures	Lindo Michoacan Restaurant	TRC	Meals		\$166.28	
01/01/2021-6/30/2021	SCH A Contributions	None Reported					
01/01/2021-6/30/2021	SCH E Expenditures	None Reported					
07/01/2021-12/31/2021	SCH A Contributions	None Reported					
07/01/2021-12/31/2021	SCH E Expenditures	None Reported					
01/01/2022-06/30/2022	SCH A Contributions	None Reported					
01/01/2022-06/30/2022	SCH E Expenditures	None Reported					
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01/01/2023-06/30/2023	SCH A Contributions	None Reported					
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					\$2,000.00	\$1,841.20	
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The semi-annual campaign statement filed for the reporting period of January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 with the due date of July 31, 2024 has not been filed for the Adelanto Committee.

It should be noted that evidence obtained indicates that Ramos likely failed to report thousands of dollars spent on campaign materials and events. Ramos only reported payments for signs and banners totaling \$1,540, along with \$301.20 for food and lodging. The following is an estimate of the expenditures that Ramos more than likely failed to report totaling approximately \$8,396.

Ramos Campaign Materials & Approximate Costs \$3,896:

- Ramos custom baseball caps¹-\$203; Ramos maintains his mother made one hat and one shirt; however, the font on these items matches the signs & banners.
- Ramos custom polo shirts-\$493; Ramos maintains his mother made one hat and one shirt; however, the font on these items matches the Ramos campaign signs & banners.
- 250-300 Backpacks for 10/24/2020 events with custom Ramos tags-\$3,000+
- Colored flyers distributed at the 10/16/2020 & 10/24/2020 events-\$200
- Vote for Daniel Ramos mailers and related postage-(\$2,476) Respondent Ramos maintains that these mailers were not sent by his committee but rather by the Inland Empire Taxpayers Association; therefore, this amount is not included in the unreported expenditures, but should likely be included as a non-monetary contribution.

Ramos Events Estimated Related Costs for Food & Celebrity Appearance \$4,500+:

Three event flyers were located on Ramos's Facebook page, from September to October 2020, https://www.facebook.com/votedanielramos2020. At least one event on September 26, 2020 states, "Sponsored by Daniel Ramos for Adelanto City Council," and Facebook posts about the other events indicate that they appear to be campaign-related, which would require Ramos to report all related expenditures and/or nonmonetary contributions. As of this date, Ramos has not reported any of the following identified expenditures and/or non-monetary contributions.

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¹ Hats & shirts are estimated at a quantity of 12 only.

Event Summary:

- **09/26/2020**-Food² for veterans, kids under 10 years old & senior citizens (145-150 meal tickets). **Estimated cost: \$1,500**+
- 10/16/2020-Free groceries³ for the High Desert, 1400 grocery boxes. Estimated cost: \$1,500+
- 10/24/2020-Backpack giveaway for the youth of Adelanto, 500 boxes of food-NBA legend Paul Pierce appearance⁴. Estimated cost: \$1,500 +

September 26, 2020 Event:

At the September 26, 2020 event, Ramos gave away free food for veterans, seniors, and kids at Market 760, an Adelanto food truck venue. A September 20, 2020 Facebook post by Ramos stated this about the event, "We have Teamed up with Market 760 and will be feeding OUR CITY OF ADELANTO!! This Saturday, September 26th, from 12pm to 5pm for the FIRST TIME EVER!! Come on out and Meet your current City of Adelanto Planning Commissioner and future Council Member! Me, Daniel Ramos! Let's talk!"

It should also be noted that a September 24, 2020 post by Ramos about the event states, "Huge shout out to one of my favorites Fries Galore for supporting my campaign and joining us this Saturday for our Meet & Greet and FIRST EVER Drive Thru Food Court in our city of Adelanto!!"

Ramos posted a video of the event wearing a "Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council-Let's Continue Forward" baseball cap and shirt and spoke about the food vendors and the free food ticket giveaway. In another video, Ramos shows the Fries Galore food truck, which has a Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council advertisement sign posted on it.

https://fb.watch/u5PHGGa64Y/ Ramos indicates in another video that about 150 free food tickets

² Facebook post indicates that 145 people were fed.

³ Produce, meat and dairy.

⁴ Paul Pierce Speaking Fee and Booking Agent Contact (athletespeakers.com) Note: Information online indicates Pierce can charge upwards of \$30,000-\$50,00 for speaking engagements.

would be given away and says to come on out for some free food and free desserts. https://www.facebook.com/reel/340952007125903

October 16, 2020 Event:

The October 16, 2020 food giveaway indicated, "Brought to you by Daniel Ramos and Joy Jeannette⁵" and 1,400 boxes of food were given away. A Facebook photograph posted by Ramos has him wearing a "Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council-Let's Continue Forward" baseball cap and shirt, standing with Adelanto City Council candidate Joy Jeanette and others with one person holding a Joy Jeanette Adelanto City Council advertisement. A video of this event posted by Ramos shows him holding a stack of colored Ramos advertisements indicating that he was distributing these flyers at this event. https://fb.watch/u5QY44L6BW/

Another Facebook post by Ramos about the event states, "AMAZING day AND ENERGY today as we passed out 1,400 boxes of groceries to our communities! Thank you to all the volunteers who made this possible and most importantly to all the smiling faces that stopped by to get their groceries. We do this for YOU! So much more to come and so much more to give We will be doing this again next Friday so please help spread the word! STAY TUNED for a huge announcement coming from our campaign team here shortly." Ramos posted a video of the event showing Ramos wearing a "Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council-Let's Continue Forward" baseball cap and shirt and spoke about the free food.

https://fb.watch/u5Pl6ZhS97/

October 24, 2020 Event:

Facebook photos from the October 24, 2020 Ramos event show that the backpacks given away had Ramos for City Council advertisements attached to them. If the goods were donated to the event, the backpacks, and the Ramos tags would need to be reported as a non-monetary contribution; however, if Ramos purchased them, they should have been reported as an expenditure. Per a Facebook post by Ramos about this event, 300+ backpacks and 500+ boxes of

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⁵ Research indicates that Jeannette is on the Adelanto City Council with Ramos and was running for office in 2020. Jeanette also called into the 8/15/24 Commission meeting to support Ramos.

food were given away. The posted flyer for this event stated, "Sponsored by Daniel Ramos for Adelanto City Council." A video of the event posted by Ramos shows him holding a stack of colored Ramos advertisements indicating that he was distributing these flyers at this event. https://fb.watch/u5XVg78rI-/

An appearance by NBA legend Paul Pierce was advertised for the event, and according to Ramos, he is a personal friend. An October 24, 2020 Facebook post has Ramos stating, "A huge thank you to Paul Pierce for stopping by and spending some time with our children and communities!! Another successful event!! We appreciate you and look forward to the amazing things that we will get accomplished together for our communities." The Facebook photos/videos and the Ramos posts confirm that Pierce attended and participated in this event; as such, his appearance should have been reported as an expenditure if he was paid by the committee, or reported as a non-monetary contribution to the committee if Pierce donated his time. Online research indicates that Pierce can charge upwards of \$30,000-\$50,000 for appearances.

On October 27, 2020, Ramos made another post about the October 24, 2020 event, which included a video showing the backpacks being given out. At the end of the video a graphic stated, "Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council "Let's Continue Forward." https://fb.watch/u5PN12xuSw/

Bank Records

Ramos provided bank records on August 23, 2024 that are summarized below:

FPPC case #2019-00464 Case Name: Daniel Ramos/the Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020							
Account	Transaction/Post	Description	Check #	Debit	Credit	Reported on Form 460	
	Date						
	10/27/2020	Cash deposit (opening deposit)			\$100.00	No (Cash)	
	10/27/2020	Inland Empire Taxpayers Assoc.	1480		\$1,500.00	Yes	
	10/27/2020	CA Real Estate PAC	1537		\$500.00	Yes	
	11/10/2020	Withdrawal-Adelanto		\$440.00		Yes-reported as Zoo Printing (Cash transaction)	
	11/13/2020	Withdrawal-Adelanto		\$800.00		Yes-reported as Zoo Printing (Cash transaction)	
	11/16/2020	POS-MGM Front desk Las Vegas		\$44.22		Reported as Michoacan Restaurant	
	11/16/2020	POS-PH24 Las Vegas		\$59.44		Reported as Michoacan Restaurant	Expenditures made after the
	11/16/2020	POS-Lindo Michoacan Rest-Las Vegas		\$62.62		Yes but reported as \$166.28 which includes the prior	November 3, 2020 election
						\$44.22 & \$59.44	
rt Community Bank/Flagstar	11/16/2020	POS-Priceline Signature MGM Las Vegas		\$134.92		Yes-reported as meeting with campaign consultant	
	11/16/2020	ATM withdrawal Flagstar Bank Adelanto		\$300.00		Yes-reported as Zoo Printing (Cash transaction)	
	12/31/2020	Bank fee-paper statement		\$2.00		n/a	
	1/30/2021	Bank fee-paper statement		\$2.00		n/a	
	2/17/2021	ATM withdrawal Flagstar Bank Adelanto		\$240.00		No (Cash)	After the election
	2/27/2021	Bank fee-paper statement		\$2.00		n/a	
	3/31/2021	Bank fee-paper statement		\$2.00		n/a	
	4/30/2021	Bank fee-paper statement		\$2.00		n/a	
				\$2,091.20	\$2,100.00	\$8.80 balance	

There were several issues with the bank statements provided by Ramos. First, pages 26-29 were blank, while 7 pages were marked with "This page intentionally left blank." Second, the Form 410 filed by the Adelanto Committee on September 25, 2020 stated that the committee bank account was held with Bank of America, but bank records submitted by Ramos are from Desert Community Bank/Flagstar Bank. Due to Ramos identifying the wrong banking institution, the Enforcement Division's subpoena failed. No information could be determined regarding the campaign bank activity until Ramos provided it to the Enforcement Division after this Default was presented to the Commission. Third, the bank records show that all expenditures of \$25 or more occurred after the election on November 3, 2020. Fourth, the bank records provided by Ramos show that Ramos opened the bank account one week prior to the election, despite all the expenditures noted above. Finally, the bank records show that Ramos made 4 prohibited cash withdrawals totaling \$1,780 or about 85% of all reported expenditures. It must be noted that 10 days after the election, \$1,240 of the cash withdrawals were made within 3 days of a trip to Las Vegas where an additional \$301.20 was spent.

Ramos posted six photos and videos to Facebook that showed campaign signs and material, in September 2020 which is an entire month prior to opening the campaign bank account and nearly two months prior to reporting any expenditures.



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SUMMARY

Ramos did not produce any receipts or invoices for the expenditures reported in his filings or found on Facebook. Based on our investigation and review of the recently provided bank statements and campaign filings, Ramos likely failed to report \$11,112 in expenditures and contributions in support of his 2020 campaign. Ramos failed to correct his campaign bank account information on the Adelanto Committee's Form 410 which inhibited the Enforcement Division's investigation. Ramos spent thousands of dollars prior to opening his campaign bank account. Ramos made four prohibited cash withdrawals after the election and was in Las Vegas the same week.

COMPARABLE CASES AND REVISED PROPOSED PENALTY

The Enforcement Division acknowledges that many of the outstanding filings at the time this default was initially presented have now been submitted. As established above, many of the filings are factually and legally questionable with an inability to fully understand the veracity due to the concurrent recordkeeping issues and bank account violations. Although the Enforcement Division desires to incentivize even extremely late filing, the reality is many questions remain about the filings and, in any event, the filings do little to assist voters at this point. The facts in the present matter are uniquely egregious such that no comparable cases for these specific facts exist. The best comparable cases remain those listed in Exhibit 1 of the Default Decision and Order. However, after considering the new information received from Ramos, the following penalties are proposed:

Counts	Violations: Daniel, Arsineda, and Committees	Proposed Penalty per Count
1	Failure to Timely Amend a Statement of Organization	\$5,000
2-3, 6-8	Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements (Victorville)	\$1,000
11-13	Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements (Adelanto)	\$4,000
4-5	Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statements (Victorville)	\$1,000

9-10	Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statements (Adelanto)	\$3,500
14	Failure to Establish, Maintain, and Utilize Campaign Bank Account	\$5,000
	Total:	\$37,500

The reasoning for the changes is as follows:

Count 1

Ramos reported the incorrect bank and bank account on his initial Form 410 and failed to amend the Form 410 when a new bank account was created. As the Enforcement Division attempted to obtain records absent Ramos' cooperation, a subpoena was issued to this incorrect institution yielding no records and hampering all opportunity to assist the investigation. It was only discovered in Ramos' production following the last Commission meeting that an account had been established one week before the relevant election and after most of the acknowledged expenditures but at an entirely different institution. Therefore, the penalty should be increased from \$2,000 to \$5,000.

Counts 2-3, 6-8

Ramos did not utilize the Victorville Committee during his campaign or candidacy in Adelanto, and the campaign statements have now been filed. Therefore, the penalty should be decreased from \$4,000 to \$1,000.

Counts 4-5

Ramos did not utilize the Victorville Committee during his campaign or candidacy in Adelanto, And the campaign statements have now been filed. Therefore, the penalty should be decreased from \$3,500 to \$1,000.