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7	BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL	PRACTICES COMMISSION			
8	STATE OF CAL				
9	STATE OF CAL	IFORNIA			
10	In the Matter of	) FPPC Nos.: 20/817 & 20/998			
11	MICHAEL MINNIX: COMMITTEE TO RE-	) ) DEFAULT DECISION AND			
12	ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX	) DEFAULT DECISION AND ) ORDER			
13 14	Respondents.	) (Government Code Sections 11506 ) and 11520)			
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17	Complainant, the Enforcement Division of the F	•			
18	submits this Default Decision and Order for considerati	on by the Fair Political Practices Commission at			
19	its next regularly scheduled meeting.				
20	Pursuant to the California Administrative Proceed	•			
21	Minnix (the "Committee") and Michael Minnix ("Minn				
22	necessary to conduct an administrative hearing regarding the above-captioned matter, including the				
23	following:				
24	1. An Order Finding Probable Cause;				
	2. An Accusation;				
25 26	3. A Notice of Defense (Two Copies per R	espondent);			
26 27	4. A Statement to Respondent; and				
28	The California Administrative Procedure Act, which go Sections 11370 through 11529 of the Government Code.	overns administrative adjudications, is contained in			

#### **EXHIBIT 1**

#### INTRODUCTION

Respondent, Michael Minnix ("Minnix") was a successful incumbent candidate for El Centro Elementary School Board in the November 3, 2020, General Election. Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix ("the Committee") is Minnix's candidate controlled committee. Minnix served as treasurer to the Committee.

The Political Reform Act (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> requires recipient committees to timely file certain campaign statements and requires candidate controlled committees to include proper advertisement disclosures on advertisements produced by the committee.

This matter stemmed from several anonymous complaints.

The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a statement of intention to be a candidate, a statement of organization with the Secretary of State ("SOS") within 10 days of qualifying as a committee, one preelection campaign statement, seven semi-annual campaign statements, and six 24-hour contribution reports. The Committee and Minnix also failed to include proper advertisement disclosures on two mass mailings related to the November 3, 2020, General Election.

#### 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.<sup>2</sup> Notice of the hearing, and the hearing itself, must be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (the "APA").<sup>3</sup> 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.<sup>4</sup>

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 certain 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Act is contained in Government Code Sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission ("Commission") are contained in Sections 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Section 83116.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Section 11503.

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.<sup>5</sup>

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.<sup>6</sup> 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.<sup>7</sup>

#### 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 starts the administrative action.<sup>8</sup>

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. 10

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.<sup>11</sup>

Documents supporting the procedural history are included in the attached Certification of Records ("Certification") filed herewith at Exhibit 1, A-1 through A-6, and incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with Sections 83115.5 and 91000.5, the Enforcement Division initiated the administrative action against the Committee and Minnix 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. Minnix was served with the Report on December 28, 2024, individually and on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Section 11506, subd. (a)(1)–(6).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Section 11506, subd. (c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Section 11520, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Section 91000.5, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Section 83115.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Section 83115.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Section 91000.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Section 83115.5.

behalf of the Committee. (Certification, Exhibit A-2.) The administrative action commenced on December 28, 2024, and the five-year statute of limitations was effectively tolled on this date.

As required by Section 83115.5, the packet served on the Committee and Minnix 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. The Committee and Minnix 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 the Committee and Minnix failed to request a probable cause conference or submit a written response to the Report by the statutory deadline, 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 January 22, 2025. (Certification, Exhibit A-3.)

On January 23, 2025, the Hearing Officer, Legal Division, John Feser, issued a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order to Prepare and Serve an Accusation on the Committee and Minnix. (Certification, Exhibit A-4.)

#### 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.<sup>13</sup>

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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Regulation 18361.4, subd. (g).

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, 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.

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. <sup>16</sup>

On March 3, 2025, the Commission's Assistant Chief of Enforcement, Angela Brereton, issued an Accusation against the Committee and Minnix. (Certification, Exhibit A-5.) 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, were served upon the Committee and Minnix by personal service on March 18, 2025. (Certification, Exhibit A-6.)

Along with the Accusation, the Enforcement Division served the Committee and Minnix 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. The Committee and Minnix did not file a Notice of Defense within the statutory time period, which ended on April 2, 2025.

As a result, on May 29, 2025, the Enforcement Division sent a letter to the Committee and Minnix advising that this matter would be submitted for a Default Decision and Order at the Commission's public meeting scheduled for August 21, 2025. (Certification, Exhibit A-12.)

On August 7, 2025, the Enforcement Division sent another letter to the Committee and Minnix advising that this matter would be submitted for a Default Decision and Order at the Commission's public meeting scheduled for September 18, 2025 (Certification, Exhibit A-13.) A copy of the Default Decision and Order, and this accompanying Exhibit 1 with attachments, was included with the letter.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Section 11505, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Section 11505, subd. (b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> 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 in 2020 through 2024. 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 committees to disclose all contributions and expenditures made throughout a campaign. <sup>17</sup> Along these lines, the Act includes a comprehensive campaign reporting system. <sup>18</sup>

Prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribution or loan, an individual who intends to be a candidate for any local elective office shall file the statement of intention with the same filing officer and in the same location as the individual would file an original campaign statement.<sup>19</sup>

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 shall file a statement of organization within 10 days after the committee has qualified as a committee and report the committee's date of qualification.<sup>21</sup> The Secretary of State shall assign a number to each committee that files a statement of organization and shall notify the committee of the number.<sup>22</sup> 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.<sup>23</sup> The committee must file the original of the amendment with SOS and a copy with the local filing officer.<sup>24</sup>

The name of a committee controlled by one or more candidates for purposes of the election of the controlling candidate or candidates must include, in addition to the last name of the controlling candidate(s), the office sought and year of the election.<sup>25</sup>

The Act requires committees and treasurers to file campaign statements and reports at specific times disclosing information regarding contributions received and expenditures made by the campaign committees. <sup>26</sup> 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Section 81002, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Section 84200, *et seq*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Section 85200.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Section 82013, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Section 84101, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Section 84103, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Sections 84103, subd. (a); and 84215.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Regulation 18402, subd. (c)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> See Section 84200, et seq.

business day.<sup>27</sup> This extension does not apply to 24-hour contribution reports when the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or official state holiday immediately prior to an election.<sup>28</sup>

All candidates appearing on the ballot to be voted on at the next election and their controlled committee shall file the applicable preelection statements.<sup>29</sup> Applicable pre-election campaign statements shall be filed as follows: (1) for the period ending 45 days before the election, the statement shall be filed no later than 40 days before the election, and (2) for the period ending 17 days before the election the statement shall be filed no later than 12 days before the election.<sup>30</sup>

For the November 3, 2020, General Election, committees were required to file the first preelection campaign statement for the period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, no later than September 24, 2020. Committees were required to file the second preelection campaign statement for the period September 20, 2020 to October 217, 2020, no later than October 22, 2022.

Under the Act, a "late contribution" includes a contribution that totals in the aggregate \$1,000 or more and is made to or received by a candidate, a controlled committee, or a committee formed or existing primarily to support or oppose a candidate or measure during the 90-day period preceding the date of the election, or on the date of the election, at which the candidate or measure is to be voted on.<sup>31</sup> Each candidate or committee that makes or receives a late contribution shall report the late contribution within 24 hours of the time it is made or received.<sup>32</sup>

The 90-day period preceding the November 3, 2020, General Election began on August 5, 2020.

An advertisement is any general or public communication that is authorized and paid for by a committee for the purpose of supporting or opposing one or more candidates for elective office or one or more ballot measures.<sup>33</sup> Any advertisement paid for by a committee must include the words "Ad Paid for by" followed by the name of the committee as it followed by the name of the committee as it appears on the most recent Statement of Organization filed with the Secretary of State.<sup>34</sup>

"Mass mailing" means over 200 substantially similar pieces of mail.<sup>35</sup> No candidate, candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate, or political party committee shall send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Section 81005, subd. (a) [effective 2019]; Regulation 18116, subd. (a) [2018].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Section 81005, subd. (b)(1) [effective 2019]; Regulation 18116, subd. (b)(1) [2018].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Section 84200.5, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Section 84200.8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Section 82036, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Section 84203.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Section 84501.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Section 84502, subd. (a)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Section 82041.5.

type that is in a color or print that contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible.<sup>36</sup> A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the organization's address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State. <sup>37</sup>

The disclosure area shall have a solid white background and shall be in a printed or drawn box on the bottom of at least one page that is set apart from any other printed matter.<sup>38</sup> All text in the disclosure area shall be in contrasting color and centered horizontally in the disclosure area.<sup>39</sup> The text shall be in an Arial equivalent type with a type size of at least 10-point.<sup>40</sup>

A treasurer of a recipient committee may terminate the committee's status as a committee, only by completing the termination section on the statement of organization declaring, under penalty of perjury, that the committee: (1) has ceased to receive contributions and make expenditures; (2) has eliminated or has declared that it has no intention or ability to discharge all of its debts, loans received and other obligations; (3) has no surplus funds; and (4) has filed all required campaign statements disclosing all reportable transactions.<sup>41</sup>

It is the duty of a committee's treasurer – including a candidate who is acting as the committee treasurer – to ensure that the committee complies with all of the requirements of the Act. <sup>42</sup> A committee's treasurer may be held jointly and severally liable, along with the candidate and committee, for violations committed by the committee. <sup>43</sup>

#### **SUMMARY OF THE EVIDENCE**

#### Failure to timely File a Statement of Intention

Prior to the solicitation or receipt of a contribution or loan on August 1, 2020, Minnix was required to file a Statement of Intention with the City of El Centro City Clerk's Office ("Filing Officer"). Minnix failed to file a Statement of Intention with the Filing Officer.

#### Failure to file a Statement of Organization

The Committee qualified on August 1, 2020, when it raised \$3,250 in contributions. On October 20, 2020 and October 27, 2020, Minnix and the Committee filed three Statements of Organization with the Filing Officer and indicated three separate qualification dates of July 1, 2020, September 19, 2020, and October 17, 2020. (Certification, Exhibit A-7.) Minnix and the Committee sent two Statements of Organization to the SOS, but both were returned for correction

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Section 84305, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Section 84504.2, subd. (a)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> *Ibid.*, subd.(a)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Regulation 18404, subd.(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Sections 81004, 84100, and 84104, and Regulation 18427.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Sections 83116 and 83116.5.

on October 27, 2020 and November 3, 2020. Therefore, the Committee was never registered with the SOS and failed to receive an ID number.

# Failure to Timely File Campaign Statements

The Committee and Minnix were required to file preelection campaign statements with the Filing Officer for the reporting periods of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020 and September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020 by September 24, 2020 and October 22, 2020 deadlines. The Committee and Minnix filed the first preelection statement late on October 20, 2020. (Certification, Exhibit A-8.) The Committee and Minnix reported several contributions over \$1,000 that required 24-hour contribution reports. Since Minnix was a candidate on the November 3, 2020, General Election ballot, the Committee and Minnix were required to file 24-hour reports for contributions received of \$1,000 or more during the 90-day period that preceded the election. 44

Minnix and the Committee timely filed the second preelection campaign statement. (Certification, Exhibit A-9.) The statement revealed Minnix contributed \$6,120 to the Committee on October 1, 2020, but no 24-hour contribution report was filed. Below is a chart summarizing the missing 24-hour contribution reports:

STATEMENT/REPORT	REPORTING	DUE	DATE	AMOUNT
	PERIOD	DATE	FILED	
24-Hour Contribution Report	8/30/2020	8/31/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$2,011
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$2,050
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/12/2020	9/13/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	10/1/2020	10/2/2020	Not Filed	\$6,120

The Committee and Minnix were required to file subsequent semi-annual campaign statements until the Committee terminated on June 30, 2024. Below is a chart summarizing the late-filed campaign statements:

STATEMENT	REPORTING PERIOD	DUE DATE	DATE	ACTIVITY
		FILED		
Pre-Election	7/1/2020-9/19/2020	9/24/2020	10/20/2020	(C) \$12,380;
1 IC-Election	//1/2020-9/19/2020	9/24/2020	10/20/2020	(E) \$14,291
Semi-Annual	10/18/2020 - 12/31/2020	2/1/2021	7/18/2024	\$99
Semi-Annual	1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021	8/2/2021	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2021 - 12/31/2021	1/31/2022	7/18/2024	\$0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> The 90-day period preceding the November 3, 2020 General Election began on August 5, 2020.

Semi-Annual	1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022	8/1/2022	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2022 - 12/31/2022	1/31/2023	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	1/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	7/31/2023	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2023 – 12/31/2023	1/31/2024	7/18/2024	\$0

In addition, the Committee and Minnix failed to properly report campaign activity on two campaign statements. On the campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, the Committee and Minnix incorrectly reported \$12,380 in contributions received. On Schedule A, contributions totaled \$12,131 (\$11,711 in itemized contributions and \$420 in un-itemized contributions) but the amount was incorrectly reflected as \$11,722 on the Schedule A total. The Committee and Minnix also reported \$14,291 for expenditures on the summary page. On Schedule E, information was provided totaling \$14,091 in expenditures.

On the campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, the Committee and Minnix inaccurately reported receiving \$6,320 in contributions. On Schedule A, Minnix and the Committee accurately reported \$6,620 in contributions received. Minnix and the Committee also reported \$6,320 in expenditures made but on Schedule E, Minnix and the Committee provided information reflecting the total amount of expenditures made was \$12,091.

#### Failure to Include Proper Disclosures on Mass Mailings

On September 24, 2020, the Committee and Minnix mailed 5,000 mailers through the post office via Every Door Direct Mail ("EDDM") service. The mass mailings included text stating "Re-Elect Michael Minnix El Centro Elementary School Board" and included Minnix's biography. The mass mailing failed to include the text "Paid for by" followed by the Committee's full name. (Certification, Exhibit A-10.)

On October 19, 2020, The Committee and Minnix, along with two other candidates, each paid \$1,005.67 to Imperial Printers for 11,000 copies of a mass mailing. 9,560 of the mailers were sent through the post office via EDDM service.

The mass mailing included text stating, "Join El Centro Elementary School Teachers November 3rd and Vote for our 3 School Board Incumbents Patricia Dunnam, Chuck Fisher, and Michael Minnix." The mass mailing failed to include the text "Paid for by" followed by the Committee's full name. (Certification, Exhibit A-11.)

#### **Summary of Contact**

Overall, the Enforcement Division contacted the Committee and Minnix at least thirty times throughout this case, as follows:

- October 5, 2020: Email from the Enforcement Division
- October 13, 2020: Email from the Enforcement Division

- October 14, 2020: Email from the Enforcement Division
- October 14, 2020: Voicemail left
- October 15, 2020: Email from the Enforcement Division
- October 16, 2020: Email from the Enforcement Division
- October 19, 2020: Email from the Enforcement Division
- October 19, 2020: Voicemail left
- October 20, 2020: Phone call with Minnix
- October 21, 2020: Phone call with Minnix
- October 21, 2020: Email from Enforcement Division
- October 21, 2020: Second email from Enforcement Division
- October 26, 2020: Email from Enforcement Division; Minnix responded via email on October 28, 2020
- October 29, 2020: Email from Enforcement Division
- November 1, 2020: Email from Enforcement Division
- November 16, 2020: Email from Enforcement Division
- January 11, 2021: Email from Enforcement Division
- March 16, 2021: Email from Enforcement Division
- September 3, 2024: Email from Enforcement Division
- October 4, 2024: Email from Enforcement Division
- October 23, 2024: Email from Enforcement Division
- October 24, 2024: Voicemail left
- October 25, 2024: Email from Enforcement Division
- December 28, 2024: Report in Support of Probable Cause served on the Committee and Minnix
- January 23, 2025: copy of Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an Accusation Be Prepared and Served mailed to the Committee and Minnix
- March 3, 2025: Email from Enforcement Division
- March 18, 2025: Accusation served on the Committee and Minnix
- March 26, 2025: Voicemail left
- April 1, 2025: Email from Enforcement Division
- May 29, 2025: letter to the Committee and Minnix informing them that a Default Decision and Order would appear on the agenda for the June 19, 2025 Commission meeting as a notice item
- August 7, 2025 Notice of Intent to Enter Default Decision and Order to the Committee and Minnix informing them that the Default Decision and Order would be presented at the September 18, 2025 meeting for Commission action

#### **VIOLATIONS**

The Committee and Minnix committed fourteen violations of the Act as follows:

#### COUNT 1

#### Failure to Timely File a Statement of Intention (Minnix only)

Minnix had a duty to timely file a statement of intention prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribution or loan in connection with the 2020 Election. By failing to timely file the statement of intention prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribution or loan in connection with the 2020 campaign, Minnix violated Government Code Section 85200.

#### COUNT 2

#### Failure to Timely File a Statement of Organization

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to file their statement of organization on or around August 11, 2020 to include the Committee's qualification date. By failing to timely file this statement of organization, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84101.

#### COUNT 3

#### Failure to Timely File a Preelection Campaign Statement

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a preelection campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020 by the September 24, 2020 due date. By failing to timely file the preelection campaign statement, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Sections 84200.5, subdivision (a) and 84200.8, subdivision (b).

#### COUNT 4

#### Failure to Timely File a Semi-Annual Campaign Statement

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting periods of October 18, 2020 through December 31, 2020 by the February 1, 2021 due date. By failing to timely file the semi-annual campaign statement, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84200, subdivision (a).

#### COUNT 5

#### Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file semi-annual campaign statements for the reporting periods of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 by the August 2, 2021 due date,

and July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 by the January 31, 2021 due date. By failing to timely file the semi-annual campaign statements, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84200, subdivision (a).

#### COUNT 6

### Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file semi-annual campaign statements for the reporting periods of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 by the August 1, 2022 due date, and July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 by the January 31, 2023 due date. By failing to timely file the semi-annual campaign statements, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84200, subdivision (a).

#### COUNT 7

#### Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file semi-annual campaign statements for the reporting periods of January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 by the July 31, 2023 due date, and July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 by the January 31, 2024 due date. By failing to timely file the semi-annual campaign statements, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84200, subdivision (a).

#### COUNT 8

#### Failure to Timely File a 24-Hour Contribution Report

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$1,000 contribution received on August 30, 2020, due on August 31, 2020. By failing to timely file the 24-hour contribution report, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84203.

#### COUNT 9

#### Failure to Timely File a 24-Hour Contribution Report

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$1,000 contribution received on September 1, 2020, due on September 2, 2020. By failing to timely file the 24-hour contribution report, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84203.

#### COUNT 10

#### Failure to Timely File a 24-Hour Contribution Report

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$2,011 contribution received on September 1 2020, due on September 2, 2020. By failing to timely file the 24-hour contribution report, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84203.

#### COUNT 11

#### Failure to Timely File a 24-Hour Contribution Report

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$2,050 contribution received on September 1, 2020, due on September 2, 2020. By failing to timely file the 24-hour contribution report, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84203.

#### COUNT 12

#### Failure to Timely File a 24-Hour Contribution Report

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$1,000 contribution received on September 12, 2020, due on September 13, 2020. By failing to timely file the 24-hour contribution report, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84203.

#### COUNT 13

#### Failure to Timely File a 24-Hour Contribution Report

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$6,120 contribution received on October 1, 2020, due on October 2, 2020. By failing to timely file the 24-hour contribution report, the Committee and Minnix violated Government Code Section 84203.

#### COUNT 14

#### **Failure to Include Proper Disclosures on Mass Mailings**

The Committee and Minnix had a duty to include the proper disclosures on mass mailings. The Committee and Minnix failed to include the proper disclosures on mass mailings sent on September 24, 2020 and October 19, 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 84305 and Regulation 18435.

#### CONCLUSION

This matter consists of 14 counts of violating the Act, which carry a maximum total administrative penalty of \$70,000. 45

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 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. 46

A central purpose of the Act is to ensure receipts and expenditures in election campaigns are fully and truthfully disclosed. The violations here include the failure to timely file campaign statements and reports and failure to include proper advertisement disclosures on mass mailings.

The Committee's failure to timely file campaign statements, particularly the preelection campaign statements and the 24-hour reports, deprived the public of important time-sensitive information regarding the Committee's activity prior to the election.

Minnix has prior experience with the Act. Minnix served on El Centro Elementary School Board for nine years and was a successful incumbent candidate in the recent November 5, 2024, General Election. Minnix is currently serving in office. The Enforcement Division found no evidence that Minnix intended to deceive or mislead the public. Instead, the violations appear to be the result of negligence. Minnix has no prior record of violations, and he cooperated with the Enforcement Division at certain points during the investigation.

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

#### Counts 1 & 2

• In the Matter of Eric Payne and Eric Payne for SCCCD 016 Trustee Area 2, FPPC No. 16/19917. (The Commission approved a default decision on June 13, 2019). The respondent, among other violations, failed to file a Statement of Intention prior to the receipt of any contribution or loan and failed to timely amend a Statement of Organization. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$2,000 for failing to file a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Section 83116, subd. (c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Regulation 18361.5, subd. (e).

- Statement of Intention and \$2,000 for failing to timely amend a Statement of Organization.
- A penalty of \$2,000 is recommended for each count. Like *Payne*, Minnix had experience as a successful candidate prior to this election.

#### Counts 3-7

- In the Matter of Ramos for City Council 2018, Committee to Elect Daniel Ramos Adelanto City Council 2020, Daniel Ramos, and Arley Arsineda, FPPC No. 19/464. (The Commission approved a default decision on September 19, 2024.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to timely file two pre-election statements, six semi-annual campaign statements. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$3,500 per count for failing to file a pre-election statement and \$4,000 per count for failing to file semi-annual campaign statements.
- A slightly lower penalty is recommended here. Like *Ramos*, Minnix had experience as a candidate and was in office at the time of the Default. In mitigation, there was no intent to conceal or mislead as there was in *Ramos*. Furthermore, many of Minnix's campaign statements had \$0 in activity or a low amount of activity and were eventually filed after Enforcement Contact.

#### Counts 8-13

- In the Matter of Corso for Council 2014, Taxpayers for Oceanside Neighborhoods, and Dana Corso, FPPC No. 15/245. (The Commission approved a default decision on April 16, 2020.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to timely file three 24-hour contribution reports. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$3,000 per count for this violation.
- A slightly lower penalty is recommended here. Like *Corso*, Minnix filed preelection campaign statements before the relevant election. Unlike *Corso*, Minnix was successful. In mitigation, Minnix did report the contributions on campaign statements prior to the relevant election, unlike *Corso*, who did not disclose the late contributions.

#### Count 14

- In the Matter of Committee to Clean House and Kevin McVey, FPPC No. 15/2202. (The Commission approved a default decision on March 21, 2019.) The respondents, among other violations, failed to disclose that television advertisements were not authorized or paid for by a candidate or candidate controlled by a candidate and failed to disclose the proper committee name on advertisements. The Commission imposed a penalty of \$3,000 for this violation.
- A similar penalty of \$3,000 is recommended for this count. In mitigation, there were only two advertisements that were created, and the expenses were properly reported on campaign statements. In aggravation, Minnix was successful in the election.

# PROPOSED PENALTY

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

Counts	Violations (Minix Only)		Proposed Penalty per Count
1	Failure to Timely File a Statement of Intention		\$2,000
Counts	Violations (The Committee & Minnix)		Proposed Penalty per Count
2	Failure to Timely File a Statement of Organization		\$2,000
3	Failure to Timely File Prelection Statement		\$3,000
4-7	Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Statements		\$3,500
8-13	Failure to Timely File 24-Hour Reports		\$2,500
14	Failure to Include Proper Disclosures on Mass Mailings		\$3,000
		<b>Total:</b>	\$41,000



# 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 Nos. 20/817 & 20/998; Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix and Michael Minnix 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 20, 2024
- EXHIBIT A-2: Proof of Service for the Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause and applicable statutes and regulations, dated December 24, 2024, accompanying
  - certified mail receipts and USPS tracking
- EXHIBIT A-3: Ex Parte Request for a Finding of Probable Cause and an Order that an
  - Accusation Be Prepared and Served, dated January 22, 2025
- EXHIBIT A-4: Finding of Probable Cause and Order to Prepare and Serve an Accusation, dated
  - January 23, 2025
- EXHIBIT A-5: Accusation, dated March 3, 2025

EXHIBIT A-6: Proof of Service for Accusation and accompanying documents from process server, dated March 20, 2025

EXHIBIT A-7: Three Statements of Organization (Form 410), filed on October 20, 2020 and

October 27, 2020 with the Filing Officer

EXHIBIT A-8: First Preelection Statement (Form 460) with the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020, filed on October 20, 2020 and October 27, 2020.

EXHIBIT A-9: Second Preelection Statement (Form 460) with the reporting period of September 20, 2020 through October 17, 2020, filed on October 20, 2020 and October 27, 2020.

EXHIBIT A-10: Mailer sent on or around September 24, 2020

EXHIBIT A-11: Mailer sent on or around October 19, 2020

EXHIBIT A-12: Notice of Default Decision and Order, dated May 29, 2025

EXHIBIT A-13: Notice of Intent to Enter Default Decision and Order, dated August 7, 2025.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on August 7, 2025, at Sacramento, California.

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#### **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.<sup>3</sup> This includes enforcement through administrative prosecution.<sup>4</sup> 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.<sup>5</sup> 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.6

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.<sup>7</sup> 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. 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Section 83111.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Section 83116.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Sections 83115.5 and 83116; Regulations 18361, subd. (b), and 18361.4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Regulation 18361.4, subd. (g).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Section 83116; Regulation 18361.4, subd. (g).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Regulation 18361.4, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Section 83115.5.

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# 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.<sup>10</sup>

#### 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. <sup>11</sup> Thus, it was decreed the Act "should be liberally construed to accomplish its purposes." <sup>12</sup>

A central purpose of the Act is to promote transparency by ensuring receipts and expenditures in election campaigns are fully and truthfully disclosed so that voters are fully informed and improper practices are inhibited. <sup>13</sup> Another is to provide adequate enforcement mechanisms so that the Act will be "vigorously enforced." <sup>14</sup>

#### Statement of Intention to be a Candidate

Prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribution or loan, an individual who intends to be a candidate for any local elective office shall file the statement of intention with the same filing officer and in the same location as the individual would file an original campaign statement.<sup>15</sup>

#### Committee

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. <sup>16</sup> This type of committee is known as a recipient committee.

# Duty to File Statement of Organization

A recipient committee shall file a statement of organization within 10 days after the committee has qualified as a committee and report the committee's date of qualification. The Secretary of State

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Regulation 18361.4, subd. (b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Section 81001, subdivision (h).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Section 81003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Section 81002, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Section 81002, subdivision (f).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Section 85200.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Section 82013, subdivision (a).

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shall assign a number to each committee that files a statement of organization and shall notify the committee of the number. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> The committee must file the original of the amendment with SOS and a copy with the local filing officer. <sup>19</sup>

The name of a committee controlled by one or more candidates for purposes of the election of the controlling candidate or candidates must include, in addition to the last name of the controlling candidate(s), the office sought and year of the election.<sup>20</sup>

#### Duty to File Campaign Statements

At the core of the Act's campaign reporting system is the requirement that candidates and 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.<sup>21</sup>

#### Filing Due Dates

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.<sup>22</sup> This extension does not apply to 24-hour contribution reports when the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or official state holiday immediately prior to an election.<sup>23</sup>Pre-Election Campaign Statements

All candidates appearing on the ballot to be voted on at the next election, their controlled committees, and committees primarily formed to support or oppose an elected officer, candidate, or a measure appearing on the ballot to be voted on at the next election shall file the applicable preelection statements specified in Section 84200.8.<sup>24</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Section 84101, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Section 84103, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Sections 84103, subdivision (a); and 84215.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Regulation 18402, subdivision (c)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Section 84200, *et seq*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Section 81005, subdivision (a) [effective 2019]; Regulation 18116, subdivision (a) [2018].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Section 81005, subdivision (b)(1) [effective 2019]; Regulation 18116, subdivision (b)(1) [2018].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Section 84200.5, subdivision (a).

Applicable pre-election campaign statements shall be filed as follows: (1) for the period ending 45 days before the election, the statement shall be filed no later than 40 days before the election, and (2) for the period ending 17 days before the election the statement shall be filed no later than 12 days before the election.<sup>25</sup>

#### 24-Hour Contribution Reports

A "late contribution" includes a contribution, including a loan, that totals in the aggregate \$1,000 or more and is made to or received by a candidate or a controlled committee during the 90-day period preceding the date of the election, or on the date of the election, at which the candidate is to be voted on.<sup>26</sup> Each committee that receives a late contribution shall report the late contribution within 24 hours of the time it is received.<sup>27</sup>

The 90-day period preceding the November 3, 2020 General Election began on August 5, 2020. Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

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 if they have made contributions or independent expenditures, including payments to a slate mailer organization, during the six-month period before the closing date of the statements.<sup>28</sup>

# Campaign Reporting

Each campaign statement shall contain the total amount of contributions and expenditures made during the period covered by the campaign statement and the total cumulative amount of contributions and expenditures made.<sup>29</sup>

If the cumulative amount of contributions (including loans) received from a person is one hundred dollars (\$100) or more then persons full name, street address, occupation, and name of employer shall be reported during the period covered by the campaign statement.<sup>30</sup>

#### Advertisement Disclosure

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Section 84200.8, subdivisions (a)-(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Section 82036, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Section 84203, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Section 84200, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Section 84211, subdivision (a)-(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Section 84211, subdivision (f)(1)-(4).

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An advertisement is any general or public communication that is authorized and paid for by a committee for the purpose of supporting or opposing one or more candidates for elective office or one or more ballot measures.<sup>31</sup> Any advertisement paid for by a committee must include the words "Ad Paid for by"<sup>32</sup> followed by the name of the committee as it appears on the most recent Statement of Organization filed with the Secretary of State.

#### Mass Mailings

"Mass mailing" means over 200 substantially similar pieces of mail.<sup>33</sup> No candidate, candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate, or political party committee shall send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type that is in a color or print that contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible.<sup>34</sup> A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the organization's address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State.<sup>35</sup>

#### Disclosure for Print Advertisements

The disclosure area shall have a solid white background and shall be in a printed or drawn box on the bottom of at least one page that is set apart from any other printed matter. All text in the disclosure area shall be in contrasting color and centered horizontally in the disclosure area.<sup>36</sup> The text shall be in an Arial equivalent type with a type size of at least 10-point.<sup>37</sup>

#### Terminating a Committee

A treasurer of a recipient committee may terminate the committee's status as a committee, only by completing the termination section on the statement of organization declaring, under penalty of perjury, that the committee: (1) has ceased to receive contributions and make expenditures; (2) has eliminated or has declared that it has no intention or ability to discharge all of its debts, loans received

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Section 84501.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Section 84502, subdivision (a)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Section 82041.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Section 84305, subdivision (a).

<sup>35</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Section 84504.2, subdivision (a)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Section 84504.2, subdivision (a)(2).

and other obligations; (3) has no surplus funds; and (4) has filed all required campaign statements disclosing all reportable transactions.<sup>38</sup>

#### Joint and Several Liability of Candidate, Committee and Treasurer

It is the duty of a committee's treasurer – including a candidate who is acting as the committee treasurer – to ensure that the committee complies with all of the requirements of the Act.<sup>39</sup> A committee's treasurer may be held jointly and severally liable, along with the candidate and committee, for violations committed by the committee.<sup>40</sup>

#### Liability for Violations

Any person who violates any provision of the Act is liable for administrative penalties up to \$5,000 per violation.<sup>41</sup>

#### SUMMARY OF THE EVIDENCE

# Failure to Timely File Statement of Organization

According to records maintained by Imperial County Registrar of Voters (the "County"), on October 20, 2020 and October 27, 2020, Minnix filed three initial statements of organization. Each statement showed multiple committee qualification dates; July 1, 2020, September 19, 2020, September 20, 2020, and October 17, 2020. According to campaign statements, the Committee appeared to qualify on or around August 1, 2020.

The Committee and Minnix were required to file a statement of organization with SOS within 10 days of qualifying as a committee. The Enforcement Division found that the Committee sent an initial statement of organization to SOS, but it was returned for correction on October 27, 2020, and again on November 3, 2020. To date, SOS has not received a corrected statement; therefore the Committee was not assigned an identification number.

# Failure to Timely File Statement of Intention to be a Candidate

Prior to the solicitation or receipt of any contribution or loan, Minnix was required to file a statement of intention with the County but failed to do so.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Regulation 18404, subdivision (b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Sections 81004, 84100, and 84104, and Regulation 18427.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> Sections 83116.5 and 91006 and Regulation 18316.6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Sections 83116 and 83116.5.

# Failure to Timely File Campaign Statements and Reports

On October 20, 2020 (26 days late), the Committee and Minnix filed a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020 and reported \$12,380 in contributions and \$14,291 in expenditures. According to campaign reports, the Committee received the first contributions on August 1, 2020 totaling \$4,250. Of the \$12,380, the Committee reported several contributions over \$1,000 that required 24-hour contribution reports. Since Minnix was a candidate on the November 3, 2020 General Election ballot, the Committee and Minnix were required to file 24-hour reports for contributions received of \$1,000 or more during the 90-day period that preceded the election. 42

The Committee and Minnix timely filed the second pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of September 20, 2020 through October 17, 2020 and reported \$6,320 in contributions and \$6,320 in expenditures. The statement revealed Minnix contributed \$6,120 to the Committee on October 1, 2020, but no 24-hour contribution report was filed. Below is a chart summarizing the missing 24-hour contribution reports:

STATEMENT/REPORT	REPORTING	DUE DATE	DATE FILED	AMOUNT
	PERIOD			
24-Hour Contribution Report	8/30/2020	8/31/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$2,011
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$2,050
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/12/2020	9/13/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	10/1/2020	10/2/2020	Not Filed	\$6,120

The Committee and Minnix were required to file subsequent semi-annual campaign statements until the Committee terminated on June 30, 2024. Below is a chart summarizing the late-filed campaign statements:

STATEMENT	REPORTING PERIOD	DUE DATE	DATE	ACTIVITY
			FILED	
Pre-Election	7/1/2020-9/19/2020	9/24/2020	10/20/2020	(C) \$12,380; (E) \$14,291
Semi-Annual	10/18/2020 - 12/31/2020	2/1/2021	7/18/2024	\$99
Semi-Annual	1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021	8/2/2021	7/18/2024	\$0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> The 90-day period preceding the November 3, 2020 General Election began on August 5, 2020.

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The Enforcement Division contacted Minnix several times regarding past due campaign statements and reports on October 5, 2020; October 13, 2020; October 14, 2020; October 15, 2020; October 16, 2020; October 19, 2020; October 20, 2020; October 21, 2020; October 26, 2020; October 29, 2020; November 1, 2021; March 6, 2021; March 16, 2021; May 27, 2021October 4, 2021; October 23, 2024; October 24, 2024; and October 25, 2024.

# Failure to Accurately Report Contributions and Expenditures

On the amended pre-election campaign statement for the period ending September 19, 2020, the Committee and Minnix provided incorrect summaries of expenditures and contributions. The Committee and Minnix reported \$12,380 in contributions received. On Schedule A, information was provided regarding \$12,142 in contributions received (\$11,711 in itemized contributions and \$420 in un-itemized contributions) but was incorrectly reflected as \$12,131 on the Schedule A total. The Committee and Minnix also reported \$14,291 in expenditures on the summary page. On Schedule E, information was provided totaling \$14,091 in expenditures.

On the pre-election campaign statement for the period ending October 17, 2020, the Committee and Minnix reported \$6,320 in contributions received. On Schedule A, the Committee and Minnix reported \$6,620 in contributions received. The Committee and Minnix reported \$6,320 in expenditures made, but on Schedule E, the Committee and Minnix provided information regarding \$12,091 in expenditures.

The Enforcement Division sent Minnix two letters on March 16, 2021 and May 27, 2021 detailing the discrepancies and requested amendments, but no additional amendments were filed.

Additionally, when the Committee and Minnix received a \$1,000 contribution from Lois Faison on September 1, 2020, the Committee and Minnix did not disclose Faison's occupation on the pre-election campaign statement for the period ending September 19, 2020, as required.

# Failure to Include Proper Disclosures in Mass Mailings

The Committee and Minnix filed an amended first pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020 on October 27, 2020 with additional information about payments made, including advertisements.

According to records obtained during the investigation, Minnix and two other candidates, Patricia Dunnam and Chuck Fisher, each paid \$1,005.67 to Imperial Printers for 11,000 copies of a mass mailing that read: "Join El Centro Elementary School Teachers November 3<sup>rd</sup> and Vote for our 3 School Board Incumbents Patricia Dunnam, Chuck Fisher, and Michael Minnix. Educators in El Centro Elementary want to keep leaders who unite us around a shared vision of high quality neighborhood school for every student in El Centro Elementary." The mass mailing did not include any disclosure about who sent the mass mailing. Of the 11,000 copies, 9,560 were mailed through the post office via Every Door Direct Mail ("EDDM") service.

Records show that the Committee and Minnix sent another mass mailing without the proper sender identification on or around September 24th 2020 and September 25, 2020. It read: "Re-Elect Michael Minnix El Centro Elementary School Board" and included a biography about Minnix. The mass mailing was missing the text "Paid for by" and the Committee's full name and address. 5,000 mass mailings were sent via EDDM service through the post office.

#### **VIOLATIONS**

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Minnix failed to timely file a statement of intention with the County prior to the solicitation or receipt of contributions, in violation of Government Code Section 85200.

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

The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of October 18, 2020 through December 31, 2020 by the February 1, 2021 due date, in violation of Government Code Section 84200.

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The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the reporting period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 by the August 2, 2021 due date, in violation of Government Code Section 84200.

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The Committee and Minnix failed to accurately report contributions and expenditures on the preelection campaign statement for the period ending October 17, 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 84211.

1	CONCLUSION				
2	Probable cause exists to believe Respondents, Michael Minnix and Committee to Re-Elect				
3	Michael Minnix, committed 19 violations of the Act, as detailed above. The Enforcement Division				
4	respectfully requests an order finding probable cause pursuant to Section 83115.5 and Regulation				
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#### PROOF OF SERVICE

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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 3050, Sacramento, California 95811. On December 24, 2024, I served the following document(s):

- 1. Letter dated December 24, 2024 from Laura Columbel;
- 2. FPPC Case Nos. 20/817 and 20/998 Report in Support of a Finding of Probable Cause;
- 3. Probable Cause Fact Sheet;
- 4. Selected Sections of the California Government Code regarding Probable Cause Proceedings for the Fair Political Practices Commission;
- 5. Selected Regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission regarding Probable Cause Proceedings; and
- 6. Probable Cause Checklist.

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct. Executed on December 24, 2024.

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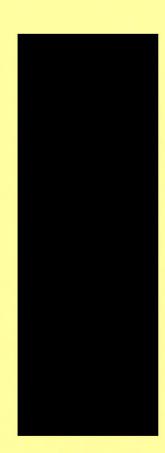


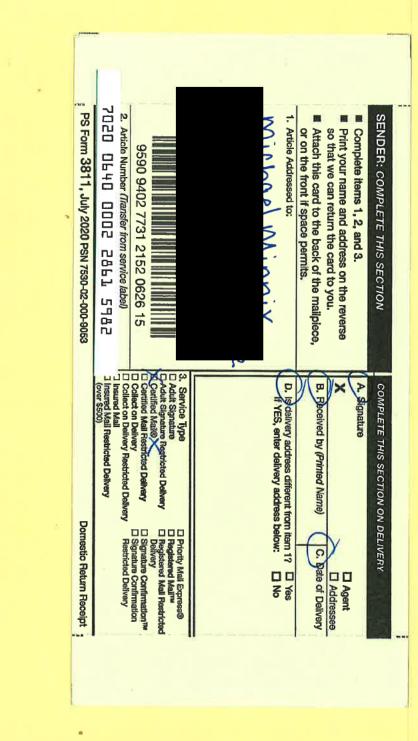
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9	STATE OF C	CALIFORNIA		
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11   12   13	MICHAEL MINNIX; COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD,	) EX PARTE REQUEST FOR A FINDING OF ) PROBABLE CAUSE AND AN ORDER THAT ) AN ACCUSATION BE PREPARED AND ) SERVED ) ) Gov. Code § 83115.5		
14	Respondents.			
15	TO THE HEARING OFFICER OF THE I	FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION:		
16 17	Pursuant to Section 83115.5 of the Politica	l Reform Act (the "Act") <sup>1</sup> and Regulation 18361.4,		
18	Respondents Micheal Minnix ("Minnix") and the Committee to Re-elect Michael Minnix El Centro			
19	Elementary School Board ("the Committee") were served with a copy of a report in support of a finding			
20	of probable cause ("PC Report") in the above-entitled matter. <sup>2</sup> The PC Report, attached as "Exhibit A,"			
21	was part of a packet of materials, including a cover letter, a memorandum describing probable cause			
22	proceedings, and a probable cause checklist form, which was sent to Minnix and the Committee or			
23	December 24, 2024 by certified mail, with return re	eceipt requested, and was delivered on December 28,		
24   25   26		§§ 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this ion are contained in §§ 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the are to this source.		
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2024. A copy of the proof of service, certified return receipt, and USPS tracking log is attached as "Exhibit B."

In the cover letter dated December 24, 2024 and the attached materials, Minnix and the Committee 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. Minnix and the Committee 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 he received the PC Report, or the date requested records were sent by the Enforcement Division. Additionally, Minnix and the Committee 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, Minnix and the Committee have not 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 the Respondents committed nineteen violations of the Act, stated as follows:

#### Minnix, only:

# Count 1: Failure to Timely File Statement of Intention to be a Candidate

Minnix failed to timely file a statement of intention with the County prior to the solicitation or receipt of contributions, in violation of Government Code Section 85200.

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

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The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for a \$1,000 contribution received on August 30, 2020, due August 31 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 84203.

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The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a 24-hour contribution report for three separate contributions totaling a \$5,061 received on September 1, 2020, due September 2, 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 84203.

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The Committee and Minnix failed to accurately report contributions and expenditures on the preelection campaign statement for the period ending September 19, 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 84211.

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# Count 17: Failure to Timely Disclose Contributor Information

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The Committee and Minnix failed to timely disclose contributor information on the pre-election campaign statement for the period ending September 19, 2020, in violation of Government Code Section 84211.

#### Count 18: Failure to Include Proper Disclosures in Mass Mailing

On or about September 24, 2020, the Committee and Minnix failed to include the proper disclosures on a mass mailing, in violation of Government Code Section 84305 and Regulation 18435.

Count 19: Failure to Include Proper Disclosures in Mass Mailing

On or about October 19, 2020, the Committee and Minnix failed to include the proper disclosures on a mass mailing, in violation of Government Code Section 84305 and Regulation 18435.

Additionally, after finding probable cause exists, the Enforcement Division requests an order by the Hearing Officer that an accusation be prepared against Minnix and the Committee and served upon them.<sup>3</sup>

A copy of this Request was mailed via U.S. Mail to Minnix and the Committee on January 23, 2025 at the last known address, as follows:

Michael	Minnix	

<sup>3</sup> Gov. Code § 11503.

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2	Dated:1/22/2025	Respectfully Submitted,
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4		FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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# BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of

MICHAEL MINNIX: COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD,

Respondents.

Respondents.

PPPC Nos. 2020-00817 & 2020-00998

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 January 22, 2025, 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 Michael Minnix ("Minnix") and the Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix El Centro School Board ("the Committee") on December 28, 2024 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, <sup>1</sup> 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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 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."<sup>2</sup> 4 5 The PC Report served on Respondents Minnix and the Committee and the subsequent Ex Parte 6 Request in this matter alleges nineteen violations of the Political Reform Act were committed, as follows: Minnix, only: 7 Count 1: Failure to Timely File Statement of Intention to be a Candidate 8 Minnix failed to timely file a statement of intention with the County prior to the solicitation or 9 receipt of contributions, in violation of Government Code Section 85200. 10 The Committee and Minnix: 11 Count 2: Failure to Timely File Statement of Organization 12 The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a statement of organization with the Secretary of 13 State, due within 10 days of qualifying as a recipient committee, in violation of Government Code 14 Section 84101. 15 Count 3: Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement 16 The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a pre-election campaign statement for the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020 by the September 24, 2020 due date, in 17 violation of Government Code Sections 84200.5 and 84200.8. 18 Count 4: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 19 The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the 20 reporting period of October 18, 2020 through December 31, 2020 by the February 1, 2021 due date, in 21 violation of Government Code Section 84200. 22 Count 5: Failure to Timely File Semi-Annual Campaign Statement 23 The Committee and Minnix failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the 24 reporting period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 by the August 2, 2021 due date, in violation 25 of Government Code Section 84200. 26 /// 27 <sup>2</sup> Cal. Code Reg., tit. 2, § 18361.4, subd. (a).

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Based on the Ex Parte Request given to me, I find that notice has been given to Minnix and the Committee.<sup>3</sup> I further find, based on the PC Report and the Ex Parte Request, that there is probable cause to believe that Minnix and the Committee violated the Political Reform Act as alleged in Counts 1-19, as identified above. I therefore direct that the Enforcement Division issue an accusation against Minnix and the Committee in accordance with this finding. IT IS SO ORDERED. January 23, 2025 Dated: Hearing Officer Fair Political Practices Commission <sup>3</sup> Government Code § 83115.5; Cal. Code Reg., tit. 2, §18361.4, subd. (c).



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15	(Gov. Code §11503) Respondents.					
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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					
27	Reform Act, found at Government Code Sections 81000 through 91014.					
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#### B. Committee

11. A "recipient committee" is a person or combination of persons who directly or indirectly receive contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year. A "controlled committee" includes a recipient committee that is controlled directly or indirectly by a candidate.

#### C. Duty to File a Statement of Organization

- 12. A recipient committee shall file a statement of organization within 10 days after the committee has qualified as a committee and report the committee's date of qualification. The Secretary of State shall assign a number to each committee that files a statement of organization and shall notify the committee of the number. 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. The committee must file the original of the amendment with SOS and a copy with the local filing officer. The committee must file
- 13. The name of a committee controlled by one or more candidates for purposes of the election of the controlling candidate or candidates must include, in addition to the last name of the controlling candidate(s), the office sought and year of the election.<sup>11</sup>

## D. Duty to File Campaign Statements

14. The Act requires candidates, committees, and treasurers to file campaign statements at specific times disclosing information regarding contributions received and expenditures made by the campaign committees.<sup>12</sup>

## E. Filing Due Dates

15. 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.<sup>13</sup> This extension does

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Section 82013, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Section 82016, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Section 84101, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Section 84103, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Sections 84103, subdivision (a); and 84215.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Regulation 18402, subdivision (c)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Section 84200, et sea.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Section 81005, subdivision (a) [effective 2019]; Regulation 18116, subdivision (a) [2018].

not apply to 24-hour contribution reports when the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or official state holiday immediately prior to an election.<sup>14</sup>

## F. Pre-Election Campaign Statements

- All candidates appearing on the ballot to be voted on at the next election, their controlled 16. committees, and committees primarily formed to support or oppose an elected officer, candidate, or a measure appearing on the ballot to be voted on at the next election shall file the applicable preelection statements specified in Section 84200.8.<sup>15</sup>
- Applicable pre-election campaign statements shall be filed as follows: (1) for the period 17. ending 45 days before the election, the statement shall be filed no later than 40 days before the election, and (2) for the period ending 17 days before the election the statement shall be filed no later than 12 days before the election. <sup>16</sup>

## G. Semi-Annual Campaign Statements

18. 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.<sup>17</sup>

#### H. 24-Hour Contribution Reports

- 19. A "late contribution" includes a contribution, including a loan, that totals in the aggregate \$1,000 or more and is made to or received by a candidate or a controlled committee during the 90-day period preceding the date of the election, or on the date of the election, at which the candidate is to be voted on. 18 Each committee that receives a late contribution shall report the late contribution within 24 hours of the time it is received. 19
- 20. The 90-day period preceding the November 3, 2020, General Election began on August 5, 2020.

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<sup>18</sup> Section 82036, subdivision (a).

<sup>14</sup> Section 81005, subdivision (b)(1) [effective 2019]; Regulation 18116, subdivision (b)(1) [2018].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Section 84200.5, subdivision (a). <sup>16</sup> Section 84200.8, subdivisions (a)-(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Section 84200, subd. (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Section 84203, subdivision (a).

#### I. Campaign Reporting

- 21. Each campaign statement shall contain the total amount of contributions and expenditures made during the period covered by the campaign statement and the total cumulative amount of contributions and expenditures made.<sup>20</sup>
- 22. If the cumulative amount of contributions (including loans) received from a person is one hundred dollars (\$100) or more then persons full name, street address, occupation, and name of employer shall be reported during the period covered by the campaign statement.<sup>21</sup>

#### J. Advertisement Disclosure

23. An advertisement is any general or public communication that is authorized and paid for by a committee for the purpose of supporting or opposing one or more candidates for elective office or one or more ballot measures.<sup>22</sup> Any advertisement paid for by a committee must include the words "Ad Paid for by"<sup>23</sup> followed by the name of the committee as it appears on the most recent Statement of Organization filed with the Secretary of State.

#### K. Mass Mailings

24. "Mass mailing" means over 200 substantially similar pieces of mail.<sup>24</sup> No candidate, candidate controlled committee established for an elective office for the controlling candidate, or political party committee shall send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type that is in a color or print that contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible.<sup>25</sup> A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the organization's address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State.<sup>26</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Section 84211, subdivision (a)-(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Section 84211, subdivision (f)(1)-(4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Section 84501.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Section 84502, subdivision (a)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Section 82041.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Section 84305, subdivision (a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> *Ibid*.

#### L. Candidate and Treasurer Liability

25. It is the duty of a committee's treasurer – including a candidate who is acting as the committee treasurer – to ensure that the committee complies with all of the requirements of the Act.<sup>27</sup> A committee's treasurer may be held jointly and severally liable, along with the candidate and committee, for violations committed by the committee.<sup>28</sup>

## M. Factors to be Considered by the Fair Political Practices Commission

26. 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 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.<sup>29</sup>

#### **GENERAL FACTS**

- 27. Complainant incorporates paragraphs 6-8 of this Accusation, as though completely set forth herein.
- 28. Minnix and the Committee were required to file a Statement of Organization with the Secretary of State ("SOS") and Imperial County Registrar of Voters ("Filing Officer") within 10 days of qualifying as a Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Sections 81004, 84100, and 84104, and Regulation 18427.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Sections 83116.5 and 91006 and Regulation 18316.6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Regulation 18361.5, subd. (e).

STATEMENT	REPORTING PERIOD	DUE DATE	DATE	ACTIVITY
			FILED	
Pre-Election	7/1/2020-9/19/2020	9/24/2020	10/20/2020	(C) \$12,380; (E) \$14,291
Semi-Annual	10/18/2020 - 12/31/2020	2/1/2021	7/18/2024	\$99
Semi-Annual	1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021	8/2/2021	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2021 - 12/31/2021	1/31/2022	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	1/1/2022 - 6/30/2022	8/1/2022	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2022 - 12/31/2022	1/31/2023	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	1/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	7/31/2023	7/18/2024	\$0
Semi-Annual	7/1/2023 - 12/31/2023	1/31/2024	7/18/2024	\$0

- 40. As Minnix was a candidate on the November 3, 2020, General Election ballot, Minnix and the Committee were required to timely file 24-hour Contribution Reports for contributions received of \$1,000 or more during the 90 days that preceded the election.<sup>30</sup>
- 41. According to the filed campaign statements, the Committee reported several contributions over \$1,000 that required 24-hour Contribution Reports.
- 42. To date, Minnix and the Committee have failed to timely file the following 24-hour Contribution Reports:

STATEMENT/REPORT	REPORTING	DUE DATE	DATE FILED	AMOUNT
	PERIOD			
24-Hour Contribution Report	8/30/2020	8/31/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$2,011
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/1/2020	9/2/2020	Not Filed	\$2,050
24-Hour Contribution Report	9/12/2020	9/13/2020	Not Filed	\$1,000
24-Hour Contribution Report	10/1/2020	10/2/2020	Not Filed	\$6,120

Failure to Accurately Report Contributions and Expenditures

- 43. Minnix and the Committee were required to accurately report all contributions received and expenditures made on required campaign statements but failed to do so.
- 44. For the reporting period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, Minnix and the Committee incorrectly reported \$12,380 in contributions received. On Schedule A, contributions totaled \$12,131 (\$11,711 in itemized contributions and \$420 in un-itemized contributions) but the amount was incorrectly reflected as \$11,722 on the Schedule A total. Minnix and the Committee also reported

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> The 90-day period preceding the November 3, 2020 General Election began on August 5, 2020.

\$14,291 for expenditures on the summary page. On Schedule E, information was provided totaling \$14,091 in expenditures.

- 45. For the reporting period of September 20, 2020 to October 17, 2020, Minnix and the Committee inaccurately reported receiving \$6,320 in contributions. On Schedule A, Minnix and the Committee accurately reported \$6,620 in contributions received. Minnix and the Committee also reported \$6,320 in expenditures made but on Schedule E, Minnix and the Committee provided information reflecting the total amount of expenditures made was \$12,091.
- 46. Minnix and the Committee were required to disclose all contributor information on preelection campaign statements but failed to do so.
- 47. Minnix and the Committee failed to report occupation information for one contribution in the amount of \$1,000 received on September 1, 2020, from Lois Faison.
- 48. The Enforcement Division contacted Minnix several times regarding past due campaign statements and reports and the need for amendments on October 5, 2020; October 13, 2020; October 14, 2020; October 15, 2020; October 16, 2020; October 19, 2020; October 20, 2020; October 21, 2020; October 26, 2020; October 29, 2020; November 16, 2020; January 11, 2021; March 16, 2021; October 4, 2021; October 23, 2024; October 24, 2024; and October 25, 2024.
- 49. Minnix was initially responsive to Enforcement contact in October 2020 but did not file any outstanding campaign statements until July of 2024. To date, Minnix has not been responsive to requests for amendments.

Failure to Include Proper Disclosures on Mass Mailings

- 50. Minnix and the Committee were required to include proper advertisement disclosures on mass mailings.
- 51. On September 24, 2020, Minnix and the Committee mailed 5,000 mailers through the post office via Every Door Direct Mail ("EDDM") service.
- 52. The mass mailings included text stating "Re-Elect Michael Minnix El Centro Elementary School Board" and included Minnix's biography. The mass mailing failed to include the text "Paid for by" followed by the Committee's full name.

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- 53. On October 19, 2020, Minnix and the Committee, along with two other candidates, each paid \$1,005.67 to Imperial Printers for 11,000 copies of a mass mailing. 31 9,560 of the mailers were sent through the post office via EDDM service.
- 54. The mass mailing included text stating "Join El Centro Elementary School Teachers November 3<sup>rd</sup> and Vote for our 3 School Board Incumbents Patricia Dunnam, Chuck Fisher, and Michael Minnix." The mass mailing failed to include the text "Paid for by" followed by the Committee's full name.

#### **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

- 55. The Enforcement Division initiated an administrative action against Minnix and the Committee 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.
- 56. Minnix and the Committee were served with the PC Report, individually and on behalf of the Committee, via certified mail on December 28, 2024. The information contained in the PC Report packet advised Minnix and the Committee 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, Minnix and the Committee did not file a response to the PC Report or request a probable cause conference.
- 57. 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 January 22, 2025, the Enforcement Division submitted the matter to the Hearing Officer for a determination of probable cause.
- 58. On or about January 23, 2025, the Hearing Officer issued an order finding, based on the Ex Parte Request and the PC Report, that there was probable cause to believe Minnix and the Committee violated the Act and directed the Enforcement Division to issue an Accusation against Minnix and the Committee in accordance with the finding.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Patricia Dunnam and Chuck Fisher were two candidates that were also featured on the mass mailing.

1	<u>VIOLATIONS</u>		
2	Minnix and the Committee committed 19 violations of the Act as follows:		
3	Count 1		
4	Failure to Timely File Statement of Organization		
5	Complainant incorporates paragraphs $1 - 32$ of this Accusation, as though completely set forth here.		
6	59. Minnix and the Committee were required to timely file a statement of organization with		
7	the Secretary of State, due within 10 days of qualifying as a recipient committee, by the August 11, 202		
8	deadline.		
9	60. Minnix and the Committee failed to timely file a statement of organization within 10 day		
10	of qualifying as a recipient committee by the August 11, 2020 deadline.		
11	61. By failing to timely file a statement of organization with the SOS, by the August 11, 202		
12	deadline, Minnix and the Committee violated Government Code Section 84101.		
13	Count 2		
14	Failure to Timely File Statement of Intention		
15	Complainant incorporates paragraphs $1 - 34$ of this Accusation, as though completely set forth here.		
16	62. Minnix and the Committee had a duty to timely file a statement of intention with the		
17	Filing Officer prior to the solicitation or receipt of contributions on August 1, 2020.		
18	63. Minnix and the Committee failed to timely file a statement of intention with the Filling		
19	Officer prior to the solicitation or receipt of contributions on August 1, 2020.		
20	64. By failing to timely file a statement of intention with the Filing Officer prior to the		
21	solicitation or receipt of contributions on August 1, 2020, Minnix and the Committee violated		
22	Government Code Section 85200.		
23	Count 3		
24	Failure to Timely File Pre-Election Campaign Statement		
25	Complainant incorporates paragraphs $1-42$ of this Accusation, as though completely set forth here.		
26	65. Minnix and the Committee had a duty to timely file a pre-election campaign statement for		
27	the reporting period of July 1, 2020 to September 19, 2020, by the September 24, 2020, deadline.		
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1		<b>Count 18</b>
2		Failure to Include Proper Disclosures on Mass Mailings
3	110.	Complainant incorporates paragraphs $1-54$ of this Accusation, as though completely set
4	forth here.	
5	111.	Minnix and the Committee were required to include proper disclosures on mass mailings
6	mailed on Se	ptember 24, 2020.
7	112.	Minnix and the Committee failed to include proper advertisement disclosures on a mass
8	mailing sent	on September 24, 2020.
9	113.	By failing to include proper disclosures on a mass mailing sent on September 24, 2020,
10	Minnix and t	he Committee violated Government Code Section 84305 and Regulation 18435.
11		<b>Count 19</b>
12		Failure to Include Proper Disclosures on Mass Mailings
13	114.	Complainant incorporates paragraphs $1-54$ of this Accusation, as though completely set
14	forth here.	
15	115.	Minnix and the Committee were required to include proper disclosures on mass mailings
16	mailed on Oc	etober 19, 2020.
17	116.	Minnix and the Committee failed to include proper advertisement disclosures on a mass
18	mailing sent	on October 19, 2020.
19	117.	By failing to include proper disclosures on a mass mailing sent on October 19, 2020,
20	Minnix and t	he Committee violated Government Code Section 84305 and Regulation 18435.
21		MITIGATING OR EXCULPATORY FACTORS
22	1.	Minnix and the Committee did file numerous outstanding campaign statements on July
23	18, 2024.	
24		AGGRAVATING FACTORS AND OTHER RELEVANT MATERIALS
25	2.	Minnix has experience with the Act and has served on the El Centro Elementary School
26	Board for nin	e years. Minnix was again a successful incumbent candidate in the recent November 5,
27	2024 General	Election and is currently serving in the position.
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3. The Enforcement Division contacted Minnix several times beginning in 2020 after receiving two complaints regarding advertisements and finding that the Committee's first pre-election campaign statement was not timely filed. While initially responsive, Minnix did not respond to letter inquiries, emails, or return phone calls to the Enforcement Division. During the investigation, Enforcement Division Special Investigator, Alethea Perez requested copies of cancelled checks and copies of bank statements regarding the advertisements, but Minnix did not respond to the requests.

#### **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays as follows:

- 1. That the Fair Political Practices Commission hold a hearing pursuant to Section 83116 and Regulation 18361.5, and at such hearing find that Minnix and the Committee violated the Act as alleged herein;
- 2. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 1**;
- 3. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 2**;
- 4. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 3**;
- 5. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 4**;
- 6. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 5**;

- 16. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 15**;
- 17. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 16**;
- 18. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 17**;
- 19. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 18**;
- 20. That the Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to Section 83116, subdivision (c), order Minnix and the Committee to pay a monetary penalty of up to \$5,000 for the violation of the Political Reform Act alleged in **Count 19**;
- 21. 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.

1	22. That the Fair Political	Practices Commission grant such other and further relief as it deems
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#### **Before the Fair Political Practices Commission**

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Person served:	Michael Minnix
Place served:	
Date served:	March 18, 2025
Time served:	D:20p.m
I declare under penalty of perjury	under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.
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#### Statement of Organization CALIFORNIA **Recipient Committee FORM** INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE Page 2 COMMITTEE NAME I.D. NUMBER COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD #85-2283746 All committees must list the financial institution where the campaign bank account is located. AREA CODE/PHONE BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION WELLS FARGO BANK (760) 353-2080 ZIP CODE STATE EL CENTRO 1200 W. MAIN ST CA 92243 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

ELECTIVE OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD YEAR OF PARTY NAME OF CANDIDATE/OFFICEHOLDER/STATE MEASURE PROPONENT (INCLUDE DISTRICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE) ELECTION CHECK ONE Nonpartisan Partisan (list political party below) MICHAEL R. MINNIX **BOARD OF TRUSTEES** 2020 (list political party below) Nonpartisan Partisan

If this committee acts jointly with another controlled committee, list the name and identification number of the other controlled committee.

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 SUPPORT OPPOSE

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1. Committee	Information	I.D. Numb	er #85-2283746		2. Treasurer and	Other Principa	Officers	11.13		
NAME OF COMMITTEE		(д пронешне)			NAME OF TREASURER					
COMMITTEE T	O RE-ELECT MI	CHAEL MIN	NIX EL CENTRO ELEMENT	ARY	MICHAEL R. MINN	ΠX				
SCHOOL BOAR	ID .				STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOX)					
					313 W. HAMILTON	AVE.				
STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O.	BOX)				CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE	
313 W. HAMIL'	TON AVE.				EL CENTRO,		CA	92243	(760) 234-1562	
CITY			CODE AREA CODE/PHONE		NAME OF ASSISTANT TREASURER,	, IF ANY				
EL CENTRO,		CA 9	2243 (760) 234-156	52	N/A					
FULL MAILING ADDRESS (L	F DIFFERENT)				STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOX)					
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e-mail address (requiremichael.minnix)					CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE	
COUNTY OF DOMICILE	JUR	ISDICTION WHERE CO	MMITTEE IS ACTIVE		NAME OF PRINCIPAL OFFICER(S)					
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COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX EL CENTRO ELE		1.D. NUMBER #85-2283746						
All committees must list the financial institution where the campaign bank account is located.								
NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	AREA CODE/PHONE	BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER						
WELLS FARGO BANK	(760) 353-2080							
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE					
1200 W. MAIN ST	EL CENTRO	CA	92243					
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 at	ffiliated or check "nonpartisan." Statir	ng "No party pref	erence" is accept	able				

NAME OF CANDIDATE/OFFICEHOLDER/STATE MEASURE PROPONENT	ELECTIVE OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE DISTRICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE)	YEAR OF ELECTION	PAR CHECK		
MICHAEL R. MINNIX	BOARD OF TRUSTEES		Nonpartisan	Partisan	(list political party below)
			Nonpartisan	Partisan	(list political party below)

• If this committee acts jointly with another controlled committee, list the name and identification number of the other controlled committee.

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)

IF A RECALL, STATE "RECALL" IN FRONT OF THE OFFICEHOLDER'S NAME.

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COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT M	ICHAEL MINNIX EL CENTRO	ELEMENTA	RY SCHOOL BOARD			#85-2283746	
4. Type of Committee	(Continued)						
General Purpose Committee	Not formed to support or opposed CITY Committee		ndidates or measures in a si UNTY Committee	ngle election. Check			
ROVIDE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY							
Campaigning to run for the Board	d of Trustees for the El Centro Ele	ementary Sch	ool District				
Sponsored Committee List a	dditional sponsors on an attachn	nent.					
NAME OF SPONSOR			INDUSTRY GROUP OR AFFILIATION OF SPOR	NSOR			
Committee to Re-Elect Michael M	linnix						
STREET ADDRESS NO. AND STREE	Т	CITY		STATE	ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHON	E
313 W Hamilton		El Cent	ro	CA	92243	7602341562	
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COMMITTEE	TO RE-ELECT MICE	HAEL MINN	IIX EL CENTRO ELEMENT	ARY	MICHAEL R. MINN	NIX			
SCHOOL BOAI	RD				STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOX)				
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EL CENTRO,	C	A 922	243 (760) 234-156	52	N/A				
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### Statement of Organization **Recipient Committee**

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COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD

#85-2283746

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NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	AREA CODE/PHONE	BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER	
WELLS FARGO BANK	(760) 353-2080		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
1200 W. MAIN ST	EL CENTRO	CA	92243
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#### 4. Type of Committee Complete the applicable sections.

#### Controlled Committee

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			Nonpartisan	Partisan	(list political party below)
MICHAEL R. MINNIX	BOARD OF TRUSTEES	2020	1		
			Nonpartisan	Partisan	(list political party below)
NAME OF CANDIDATE/OFFICEHOLDER/STATE MEASURE PROPONENT	ELECTIVE OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE DISTRICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE)	YEAR OF ELECTION	PAR CHECK		

**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)  IF A RECALL, STATE "RECALL" IN FRONT OF THE OFFICEHOLDER'S NAME.	CANDIDATE(S) OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD OR MEASURE(S) JURISDICTION (INCLUDE DISTRICT NO., CITY OR COUNTY, AS APPLICABLE)	CHECK	ONE
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4. Type of Co	mmittee	(Continued)								
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Sponsored Committe	Sponsored Committee List additional sponsors on an attachment.									
NAME OF SPONSOR					INDUSTRY GROUP OR AFFILIATION	N OF SPONSOR				
Committee to Re-Ele	ct Michael Mini	nix								
STREET ADDRESS	NO. AND STREET			CITY			STATE	ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE	
313 W Hamilton El Cen			tro		CA	92243	7602341562			
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State Candidate Election Committee Recall (Also Complete Part 5)  General Purpose Committee Sponsored Small Contributor Committee	rimarily Formed Ballot Measure committee Controlled Sponsored so Complete Part 6) rimarily Formed Candidate/ officeholder Committee so Complete Part 7)	Preelection Statement Semi-annual Statement Termination Statement (Also file a Form 410 Te Amendment (Explain be	ermination)	Quarterly State	ment ar Report
Committee information	NUMBER 85-2283746	Treasurer(s)			
COMMITTEE NAME (OR CANDIDATE'S NAME IF NO COMMITTEE)		NAME OF TREASURER			
COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX		MICHAEL R. MINNIX MAILING ADDRESS			
		SAME AS ABOVE			
STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOX)		CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE
313 W. HAMILTON AVE.		EL CENTRO	CA	92243	(760) 234-1562
CITY STATE ZIP COI	DE AREA CODE/PHONE	NAME OF ASSISTANT TREASUR	ER, IF ANY		
EL CENTRO, CA 9224: MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT) NO. AND STREET OR P.O. BOX		N/A MAILING ADDRESS			-
SAME AS ABOVE					
CITY STATE ZIP COI	DE AREA CODE/PHONE	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE
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### Recipient Committee Campaign Statement Cover Page — Part 2

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Officeholder or Candidate Controlled Committee			Primarily Formed Ballot	Measure (	Committee	•	
NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER OR CANDIDATE			NAME OF BALLOT MEASURE				
MICHAEL R. MINNIX			N/A				
OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE LOCATION AND DIST	RICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE)		BALLOT NO. OR LETTER	JURISDICTIO	NC		SUPPORT
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313 W. HAMILTON AVE.	El Centro, CA 92243		Identify the controlling officel	nolder, candid	date, or state	measure pro	ponent, if any.
			NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER, CAN	DIDATE, OR P	ROPONENT		
Related Committees Not Included in this St	atement: List any committees		N/A				
not included in this statement that are controlled by you contributions or make expenditures on behalf of your can	r are primarily formed to receive		OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD			DISTRICT NO	D. IF ANY
			N/A				
COMMITTEE NAME	I.D. NUMBER						
Committee To Re-Elect MICHAEL MINNIX	#85-2283746						
NAME OF TREASURER	CONTROLLED COMMITTEE?	7.	Primarily Formed Candi officeholder(s) or candidate(s) if	date/Office	holder Co	mmittee L	ist names of
MICHAEL R. MINNIX	☑ YES □ NO		omcendae (a) or candidate(a) i	or which this	committee is	рптапту тогт	ea.
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# Campaign Disclosure Statement Summary Page

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NAME OF FILER				I.D. NUMBER
MICHAEL MINNIX				#85-2283746
Contributions Received	Column A TOTAL THIS PERIOD (FROM ATTACHED SCHEDULES)	COLUMN B CALENDAR YEAR TOTAL TO DATE		mary for Candidates e State Primary and
1. Monetary Contributions       Schedule A, Line 3         2. Loans Received       Schedule B, Line 3         3. SUBTOTAL CASH CONTRIBUTIONS       Add Lines 1 + 2         4. Nonmonetary Contributions       Schedule C, Line 3         5. TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED       Add Lines 3 + 4	\$\frac{\$12,380}{0}\$ \$\frac{12,380}{0}\$ \$\frac{0}{0}\$ \$\frac{\$12,380}{0}\$ \$\frac{\$12,380}{0}\$	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\		\$\$
Expenditures Made  6. Payments Made	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\		Summary for State  ve Expenditures Made*  Voluntary Expenditure Limit  Total to Date
Current Cash Statement  12. Beginning Cash Balance	\$ \frac{0}{\$12,380} \\ \frac{0}{\$14,291} \\ \frac{1}{\$12,380} \\ \frac{0}{\$0} \\ \frac{0} \\ \frac{0}{\$0} \\ \frac{0}{\$0} \\ \frac{0}{\$0} \\ \	To calculate Column B, add amounts in Column A to the corresponding amounts from Column B of your last report. Some amounts in Column A may be negative figures that should be subtracted from previous period amounts. If this is the first report being filled for this calendar year, only carry over the amounts from Lines 2, 7, and 9 (if any).	*Amounts in this section n reported in Column B.	nay be different from amounts  FPPC Form 460 (Jan/2016)
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Monetary	Contributions	Received

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SCHEDULE A

Monetary Contributions Received				from 7/1/20	ers period	california 460		
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NAME OF FILER MICHAEL N							UMBER 283746	
DATE RECEIVED	FULL NAME, STREET ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE OF CONTRIBUTOR (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER)	CONTRIBUTOR	IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ENTER OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER (IF SELF-EMPLOYED, ENTER NAME	AMOUNT RECEIVED THIS PERIOD	CUMULATIVE TO CALENDAR Y (JAN. 1 - DEC	EAR	PER ELECTION TO DATE (IF REQUIRED)	
8/1/20	BRUCE KUHN 903 W. MC CABE RD. EL CENTRO, CA	IND COM OTH PTY	FARMER	\$250	\$250			
8/1/20	MICHAEL MINNIX 313 W. HAMILTON AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	☑IND □COM □OTH □PTY □SCC	RETIRED INCUMBENT	\$3,000	\$3,000			
9/12/20	DANIEL NIETO & FAMILY 1609 BARBARA WORTH DR. #109 EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH PTY	RETIRED FROM STATE	\$1,000	\$1,000			
8/30/20	JIM & BRENDA SMITH 674 SYCAMORE Sequola St. IMPERIAL, CA 92251	IND COM OTH SCC	RETIRED FROM IMPERIAL COUNTY	\$1,000	\$1,000			
9/1/20	WILLIE C. MINNIX 313 W. HAMILTON AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH PTY	RETTRED	\$2,011	\$2,011			
			SUBTOTAL \$	7,260				
Amount re (Include al     Amount re	A Summary eceived this period – itemized monetary contributions. Il Schedule A subtotals.)				IND - COM OTH- PTY -	other Other Politica	ient Committee than PTY or SCC) (e.g., business entity)	
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## Schedule A (Continuation Sheet) Monetary Contributions Received

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MICHAEL R. MINNIX

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DATE RECEIVED	FULL NAME, STREET ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE OF CONTRIBUTOR (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER)	CONTRIBUTOR CODE *	IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ENTER OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER (IF SELF-EMPLOYED, ENTER NAME)	AMOUNT RECEIVED THIS PERIOD	CUMULATIVE TO DATE CALENDAR YEAR (JAN. 1 - DEC. 31)	PER ELECTION TO DATE (IF REQUIRED)	
9/1/20	LOIS FAISON 313 W. HAMILTON AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	☑IND □COM □OTH □PTY □SCC	CITY OF EL CENTRO	\$1,000	\$1,000		
9/1/20	LORETTA MINNIX-KIRBY 313 W. HAMILTON AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH SCC	RETIRED	\$2,100	\$2,100		
8/1/20	KARLA SIGMOND 1151 CHAPARRAL EL CENTRO, CA 92243	☑ IND □ COM □ OTH □ PTY □ SCC	RETIRED EDUCATOR	\$1,000	\$1,000		
9/1/20	CHERYL GRIFFIN-OLIVER 2562 VISTA DEL MAR IMPERIAL, CA 92251	☑ IND □ COM □ OTH □ PTY □ SCC	TEACHER IN ECESD	\$250	\$250		
8/21/200	MATT AMAR 1260 CLEVELAND AVE. APT. A223 EL CENTRO, CA 92243	☑IND □COM □OTH □PTY □SCC	OFFICE MANAGER	\$150	\$150		
	SUBTOTAL \$ 4,500						

\*Contributor Codes
IND – Individual
COM – Recipient Committee
(other than PTY or SCC)
OTH – Other (e.g., business entity)
PTY – Political Party
SCC – Small Contributor Committee

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1.	Type of Recipient Committee: All Committees - Con	nplete Parts 1, 2, 3, and 4.	2. Type of Statement:		
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3.	Committee Information	NUMBER 85-2283746	Treasurer(s)		
	COMMITTEE NAME (OR CANDIDATE'S NAME IF NO COMMITTEE)		NAME OF TREASURER		
	COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX		MICHAEL R. MINNIX MAILING ADDRESS		
	3		SAME AS ABOVE		
	STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOX)		CITY		P CODE AREA CODE/PHONE
	313 W. HAMILTON AVE.	1051000550005	EL CENTRO		2243 (760) 234-1562
			NAME OF ASSISTANT TREASUR	ER, IF ANY	
	EL CENTRO, CA 92243 MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT) NO. AND STREET OR P.O. BOX	3 (760) 234-1562	N/A MAILING ADDRESS		
	SAME AS ABOVE				
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ı.	Verification				
	I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing and reviewing			herein and in the attached	schedules is true and complete. I
	certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of C			10 of	
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MICHAEL R. MINNIX				N/A				4
OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE LOCATION AND DISTR	ICT NUMBER IF APPLIC	ABLE)		BALLOT NO. OR LETTER	JURISDICTIO	N		SUPPORT
EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY BOARD OF TRUSTE	ES			N/A				OPPOSE
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313 W. HAMILTON AVE.	El Centro, CA	92243		Identify the controlling officel	nolder, candid	late, or state	measure pro	ponent, if any.
	,			NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER, CAN	IDIDATE, OR P	ROPONENT		
Related Committees Not Included in this Stat	tement: List any con	nmittees		N/A				
not included in this statement that are controlled by you or contributions or make expenditures on behalf of your candi	are primarily formed to			OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD			DISTRICT NO	O. IF ANY
	dacy.			N/A				6
COMMITTEE NAME	I.D. NUMBER							
Committee To Re-Elect MICHAEL MINNIX	#85-2283746							
NAME OF TREASURER	CONTROLLED COMMI	TTEE?	7.	Primarily Formed Cand officeholder(s) or candidate(s)	date/Office	holder Co	mmittee /	List names of
MICHAEL R. MINNIX	✓ YES □ NO	a en constitute ander		omcenorder(s) or candidate(s) i	or which this	committee is j	prunarny torn	rea.
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MICHAEL MINNIX			#85-2283746
Contributions Received  1. Monetary Contributions	**S12,380**  \$ 12,380**  0 **S12,380**  0 **S12,380**  0 **S12,380**  0 **S12,380**  10 **S12,	\$ \$12,380 0 \$12,380 0 \$12,380	Calendar Year Summary for Candidates Running in Both the State Primary and General Elections  1/1 through 6/30 7/1 to Date  20. Contributions Received \$\$  21. Expenditures Made \$\$  \$
Expenditures Made  6. Payments Made	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Expenditure Limit Summary for State Candidates  22. Cumulative Expenditures Made* (If Subject to Voluntary Expenditure Limit)  Date of Election Total to Date (mm/dd/yy)  \$
Cash Equivalents and Outstanding Debts	0	To calculate Column B, add amounts in Column A to the corresponding amounts from Column B of your last report. Some amounts in Column A may be negative figures that should be subtracted from previous period amounts. If this is the first report being filed for this calendar year, only carry over the amounts from Lines 2, 7, and 9 (if any).	*Amounts in this section may be different from amounts reported in Column B.
18. Cash Equivalents	\$ 0		FPPC Form 460 (Jan/2016)) FPPC Advice: advice@fppc.ca.gov (866/275-3772) www.fppc.ca.gov

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AME OF FILER MICHAEL M	IINNIX			<u> </u>		1.D. NU #85-228		
DATE	FULL NAME, STREET ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE OF CONTRIBUTOR	CONTRIBUTOR	IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ENTER	AMOUNT RECEIVED THIS	CUMULATIVE TO		PER ELECTION TO DATE	

CONTRIBUTOR (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER)	CONTRIBUTOR	OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER (IF SELF-EMPLOYED, ENTER NAME	RECEIVED THIS PERIOD	CALENDAR YEAR (JAN. 1 - DEC. 31)	PER ELECTION TO DATE (IF REQUIRED)
BRUCE KUHN 903 W. MC CABE RD EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH PTY	FARMER	\$250	\$250	
MICHAEL MINNIX 313 W HAMILTON AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	☑IND □COM □OTH □PTY □SCC	RETIRED INCUMBENT	\$3,000	\$3,000	
DANIEL NIETO & FAMILY 1609 BARBARA WORTH DR. #109 EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH PTY	RETIRED FROM STATE	\$1000	\$1000	
JIM & BRENDA SMITH 676 SEQUIOIA ST IMPÉRIAL CA, 92251	IND COM OTH PTY	RETIRED FROM IMPERIAL COUNTY	\$1,000	\$1,000	2
WILLIE C. MINNIX 313 W. HAMILTON AVE EL CENTRO, CA 92243	☑ IND □ COM □ OTH □ PTY □ SCC	RETIRED	\$2,011	\$2,022	11 10
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#### Schedule A Summary

Amount received this period – itemized monetary contributions.  (Include all Schedule A subtotals.)\$	\$11,722
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\*Contributor Codes

IND - Individual

COM - Recipient Committee

(other than PTY or SCC) OTH - Other (e.g., business entity)

PTY - Political Party

SCC - Small Contributor Committee

3. Total monetary contributions received this period. 

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## Schedule A (Continuation Sheet) Monetary Contributions Received

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MICHAEL R. MINNIX FULL NAME, STREET ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE OF IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ENTER AMOUNT CUMULATIVE TO DATE PER ELECTION DATE CONTRIBUTOR CONTRIBUTOR OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER RECEIVED THIS CALENDAR YEAR TO DATE RECEIVED CODE (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER) PERIOD (IF SELF-EMPLOYED, ENTER NAME) (JAN. 1 - DEC. 31) (IF REQUIRED) ✓ IND 9/1/20 LOIS FAISON CITY OF EL CENTRO \$1,000 \$1,000 □сом 313 W. HAMILTON AVE □ OTH □ PTY EL CENTRO, CA 92243 □ scc **☑** IND 9/1/20 LORETTA MINNIX-KIRBY RETIRED \$2,050 \$2,050 □сом 313 W HAMILTON AVE. □ OTH □ PTY EL CENTRO, CA 92243 □ scc **₩** IND 8/1/20 KARLA SIGMOND RETIRED EDUCATOR \$1,000 \$1,000 □сом 1151 CHAPARRAL □ OTH ☐ PTY EL CENTRO, CA 92243 □ scc **IND** 9/1/20 CHERYL GRIFFIN-OLIVER TEACHER IN ECESD \$250 \$250 □сом 2562 VISTA DEL MAR Потн **□**PTY □ scc 🗹 IND 8/21/20 MATT AMAR OFFICE MANAGER \$150 \$150 □сом 1260 CLEVELAND AVE, APT A223 □ OTH □ PTY EL CENTRO, CA 92243 □scc **SUBTOTAL \$ 11,722** 

\*Contributor Codes
IND – Individual
COM – Recipient Committee
(other than PTY or SCC)
OTH – Other (e.g., business entity)
PTY – Political Party
SCC – Small Contributor Committee

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MICHAEL MINNIX

CODES: If one of the following codes accurately describes the payment, you may enter the code. Otherwise, describe the payment.

CMP campaign paraphernalia/misc. CNS campaign consultants CTB contribution (explain nonmonetary)\* CVC civic donations FIL candidate filing/ballot fees

FND fundraising events IND independent expenditure supporting/opposing others (explain)\*

LEG legal defense

campaign literature and mailings

MBR member communications MTG meetings and appearances OFC office expenses

PET petition circulating PHO phone banks

POL polling and survey research POS postage, delivery and messenger services PRO professional services (legal, accounting) PRT print ads

TRS staff/spouse travel, lodging, and meals TSF transfer between committees of the same candidate/sponsor

VOT voter registration WEB information technology costs (internet, e-mail)

TEL t.v. or cable airtime and production costs

TRC candidate travel, lodging, and meals

RAD radio airtime and production costs

RFD returned contributions

SAL campaign workers' salaries

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PAYEE (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER)	CODE OR DESCRIPTION OF PAYMENT	AMOUNT PAIG
IMPERIAL PRINTERS 430 MAIN ST , EL CENTRO, CA 92243	STATIONARY, BANNERS, CAMPAIGN CARDS, FLYERS, POSTAGE.	7,671
IMPERIAL COUNTY ELECTION DEPARTMENT 940 W MAIN ST, EL CENTRO CA, 92243	CANDIDATES STATEMENT	300
GOLF COURSE SHOP JESSIE OWENS 2731 OLD HIGHWAY 111, IMPERIAL CA, 92251	SIGN/BANNERS FRAMES	1400

\* Payments that are contributions or independent expenditures must also be summarized on Schedule D.

SUBTOTAL \$ 9,371

#### Schedule E Summary

1.	Itemized payments made this period. (Include all Schedule E subtotals.)	s _	9,371
	Unitemized payments made this period of under \$100\$	5_(	0
	Total interest paid this period on loans. (Enter amount from Schedule B, Part 1, Column (e).)\$	s_(	0
	Total payments made this period. (Add Lines 1, 2, and 3. Enter here and on the Summary Page, Column A, Line 6.)		

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### Schedule E (Continuation Sheet) **Payments Made**

CMP campaign paraphernalia/misc.

CTB contribution (explain nonmonetary)\*

\* Payments that are contributions or independent expenditures must also be summarized on Schedule D.

CNS campaign consultants

CVC civic donations

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MBR member communications

MTG meetings and appearances

CODES: If one of the following codes accurately describes the payment, you may enter the code. Otherwise, describe the payment.

OFC office expenses

PET petition circulating

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RAD radio airtlme and production costs

TEL t.v. or cable airtime and production costs

RFD returned contributions

SAL campaign workers' salaries

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IND independent expenditure supporting/opposing others (explain)* POS postage,		
NAME AND ADDRESS OF PAYEE (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER)	CODE OR DESCRIPTION OF PAYMENT	AMOUNT PAID
LOWES HOME IMPROVEMENT 2053 N. IMPERIAL AVE, EL CENTRO, CA 92243	SPIKES, BLACK SPRAY PAINT, HARDWARE SCREW NAILS, BUCKETS/SAND, RE-BAR.	108
DAVID VALENZUELA 530 M.B ,MARTINEZ, CALEXICO, CA 92231	TECHNICAL SUPPORT CAMPAIGN ADVERTISEMENT, VIDEOS,	1,000
7-ELEVEN 815 W ADAMS AVE, EL CENTRO, CA 92243	GAS/FUEL PICKING UP SUPPLIES, DISTRIBUTING FLYERS, CAMPAIGNING.	188
ROCKET COPY 100 S 11TH ST, EL CENTRO, CA 92243	ART DESIGN, POSTAGE, COPIES, COLORED FLYERS.	774
CAMPAIGN WORKERS 186 E HAMILTON , EL CENTRO, CA 92243	PAID VOLUNTEERS WORKERS FOR WALKING PRECINT, AND CAMPAIGNING.	2,650

**SUBTOTAL \$ 14,091** 



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1. Type of Recipient Committee: All Committees - Com	plete Parts 1, 2, 3, and 4.	2. Type of Statement:		
State Candidate Election Committee Recall (Also Complete Part 5)  General Purpose Committee Sponsored Small Contributor Committee	rimarily Formed Ballot Measure ommittee Controlled Sponsored Complete Part 6) rimarily Formed Candidate/ fficeholder Committee Complete Part 7)	Preelection Statement Semi-annual Statement Termination Statement (Also file a Form 410 Termination) Amendment (Explain below)	☐ Quartei	rly Statement Odd-Year Report
3. Committee information	NUMBER 35-2283746	Treasurer(s)		
COMMITTEE NAME (OR CANDIDATE'S NAME IF NO COMMITTEE)		NAME OF TREASURER		
COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT MICHAEL MINNIX		MICHAEL R. MINNIX MAILING ADDRESS		
STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. BOX)	-	SAME AS ABOVE	STATE ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE
313 W. HAMILTON AVE.		EL CENTRO	CA 92243	(760) 234-1562
CITY STATE ZIP COL	DE AREA CODE/PHONE	NAME OF ASSISTANT TREASURER, IF ANY		
EL CENTRO, CA 92243	(760) 234-1562	N/A		
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT) NO. AND STREET OR P.O. BOX		MAILING ADDRESS		
SAME AS ABOVE CITY STATE ZIP COD	DE AREA CODE/PHONE	CITY	STATE ZIP CODE	AREA CODE/PHONE
OPTIONAL: FAX / E-MAIL ADDRESS		OPTIONAL: FAX / E-MAIL ADDRESS		
4. Verification I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing and reviewing certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Control			in the attached sched	lules is true and complete. I
Executed on 10/19/20 Date	By Michael R. Min	nix Signature of Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer	n Jan	SAC .
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i. Officeholder or Candidate Controlled Commi	ttee	6.	Primarily Formed Ballot	Measure Com	mittee	
NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER OR CANDIDATE			NAME OF BALLOT MEASURE			
MICHAEL R. MINNIX			N/A			
OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE LOCATION AND DISTR	ICT NUMBER IF APPLICA	BLE)	BALLOT NO. OR LETTER	JURISDICTION		☐ SUPPORT
EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY BOARD OF TRUSTE	ES		N/A			OPPOSE
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Related Committees Not Included in this Stat	ement: List any some	mittana	N/A			
not included in this statement that are controlled by you or	are primarily formed to re		OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD		DISTRICT	IO. IF ANY
contributions or make expenditures on behalf of your candi	dacy.		N/A			
COMMITTEE NAME	I.D. NUMBER		•			
Committee To Re-Elect MICHAEL MINNIX	#85-2283746					
NAME OF TREASURER	CONTROLLED COMMIT	7.	<b>Primarily Formed Candi</b>	date/Officehold	ler Committee	List names of
MICHAEL R. MINNIX	✓ YES □ NO		officeholder(s) or candidate(s) t	or which this comm	ittee is primarily for	med.
COMMITTEE ADDRESS STREET ADDRESS (NO P.O. B			NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER OR C	ANDIDATE OFFI	CE SOUGHT OR HE	LD SUPPORT
313 W. HAMILTON AVE.			N/A	1		OPPOSE
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EL CENTRO, CA 9224	3 (760) 234	-1562				SUPPORT
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MICHAEL MINNIX			#85-2283746
Contributions Received     Monetary Contributions	**Column A TOTAL THIS PERIOD (FROM ATTACHED SCHEDULES)  **\$6,320  **56,320  **0  **6,320	\$ \$6,320 0 \$6,320 0 \$6,320	Calendar Year Summary for Candidates Running in Both the State Primary and General Elections  1/1 through 6/30 7/1 to Date  20. Contributions Received \$ \$
5. TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED	\$ \$6,320 0 \$ 6,320 0 0 \$6,320 0 \$ \$6,320	\$ \$6,320 0 \$6,320 0 0 \$6,320 0 0 \$6,320	Expenditure Limit Summary for State Candidates  22. Cumulative Expenditures Made* (If Subject to Voluntary Expenditure Limit)  Date of Election Total to Date (mm/dd/yy)
Current Cash Statement  12. Beginning Cash Balance Previous Summary Page, Line 16  13. Cash Receipts Column A, Line 3 above  14. Miscellaneous Increases to Cash Schedule I, Line 4  15. Cash Payments Column A, Line 8 above  16. ENDING CASH BALANCE Add Lines 12 + 13 + 14, then subtract Line 15  If this is a termination statement, Line 16 must be zero.  17. LOAN GUARANTEES RECEIVED Schedule B, Part 2	\$ 0 \$6,320 0 \$6,320 \$ 0	To calculate Column B, add amounts in Column A to the corresponding amounts from Column B of your last report. Some amounts in Column A may be negative figures that should be subtracted from previous period amounts. If this is the first report being filed for this calendar year, only carry over the amounts.	*Amounts in this section may be different from amounts reported in Column B.
Cash Equivalents and Outstanding Debts  18. Cash Equivalents See instructions on reverse  19. Outstanding Debts Add Line 2 + Line 9 in Column B above	\$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u>	only carry over the amounts from Lines 2, 7, and 9 (if any).	FPPC Form 460 (Jan/2016)) FPPC Advice: advice@fppc.ca.gov (866/275-3772) www.fppc.ca.gov

## Schedule A

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AME OF FILER			V	I.D. NUMBER
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10/1/20	MICHAEL R. MINNIX 313 W. HAMILTON AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH PTY	RETIRED INCUMBENT	\$6,120	\$9,120	
10/10/20	JENS HUTCHENS 2411 ROSS AVE. EL CENTRO, CA 92243	IND COM OTH PTY	RETIRED	\$100	\$100	
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Schedule A Summary		*Contributor Codes

### Schedule A Summary

Amount received this period – itemized monetary contributions.  (Include all Schedule A subtotals.)	\$6,620
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OTH - Other (e.g., business entity) PTY - Political Party

IND - Individual

3. Total monetary contributions received this period. (Add Lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on the Summary Page, Column A, Line 1.).....TOTAL \$ \$6,620 SCC - Small Contributor Committee

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	I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing and reviewing	g this statement and to the best of my kn	owledge the information contained h	nerein and in the attached s	chedules is true and complete. I
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### Recipient Committee Campaign Statement Cover Page — Part 2

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. Officeholder or Candidate Controlled Commi	ttee	6.	Primarily Formed Ballot	Measure (	Committee		
NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER OR CANDIDATE			NAME OF BALLOT MEASURE				·
MICHAEL R. MINNIX			N/A				
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not included in this statement that are controlled by you or contributions or make expenditures on behalf of your candi-	are primarily formed to receive		OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD			DISTRICT NO	. IF ANY
			N/A				
COMMITTEE NAME	I.D. NUMBER		32				
Committee To Re-Elect MICHAEL MINNIX	#85-2283746		8				
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# Campaign Disclosure Statement Summary Page

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SUMMARY PAGE CALIFORNIA FORM Statement covers period from 9/20/20

I.D. NUMBER #85-2283746

MICHAEL MINNIX			#85-2283746	
Contributions Received  1. Monetary Contributions	**Column A TOTAL THIS PERIOD (FROM ATTACHED SCHEDULES)  **\$ \$6,320	\$ \$6,320 0 \$6,320 0 \$6,320	Calendar Year Summary for Candidates Running in Both the State Primary and General Elections  1/1 through 6/30 7/1 to Date  20. Contributions Received \$	
Expenditures Made  6. Payments Made	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\$\\\\\\\$6,320\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Expenditure Limit Summary for State Candidates  22. Cumulative Expenditures Made* (If Subject to Voluntary Expenditure Limit)  Date of Election (mm/dd/yy)  \$	
Current Cash Statement  12. Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 0 \$6,320 0 \$6,320 \$	To calculate Column B, add amounts in Column A to the corresponding amounts from Column B of your last report. Some amounts in Column A may be negative figures that should be subtracted from previous period amounts. If this is the first report being	*Amounts in this section may be different from amount reported in Column B.	
17. LOAN GUARANTEES RECEIVED	\$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u>	filed for this calendar year, only carry over the amounts from Lines 2, 7, and 9 (if any).	FPPC Form 460 (Jan/2016) FPPC Advice: advice@fppc.ca.gov (866/275-3772	

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# Schedule A Monetary Contributions Received

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MICHAEL I							UMBER 283746		
DATE RECEIVED	FULL NAME, STREET ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE OF CONTRIBUTOR (IF COMMITTEE, ALSO ENTER I.D. NUMBER)	CONTRIBUTOR	IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ENTER OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER (IF SELF-EMPLOYED, ENTER NAME	AMOUNT RECEIVED THIS PERIOD	CUMULATIVE TO DATE  CALENDAR YEAR  (JAN. 1 - DEC. 31)  CUMULATIVE TO DATE  (IF REQUIRED)		TO DATE		
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\*Contributor Codes
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(other than PTY or SCC)
OTH – Other (e.g., business entity)
PTY – Political Party
SCC – Small Contributor Committee

Schedule E
<b>Payments Made</b>

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MICHAEL MINNIX

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CMP campaign paraphemalia/misc. MBR member communications RAD radio airtime and production costs

CNS campaign consultants MTG meetings and appearances RFD returned contributions

CTB contribution (explain nonmonetary)\* OFC office expenses SAL campaign workers' salarles

CVC civic donations PET petition circulating TEL t.v. or cable airtime and production costs

FIL candidate filing/ballot fees PHO phone banks TRC candidate travel lodging and meals

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FND fundraising events polling and survey research TRS staff/spouse travel, lodging, and meals
FND independent expenditure supporting/opposing others (explain)\* POS postage, delivery and messenger services TSF transfer between committees of the same candidate/sponsor

LEG legal defense PRO professional services (legal, accounting)
LIT campaign literature and mailings PRT print ads

VOT voter registration
WEB information technology costs (internet, e-mail)

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\* Payments that are contributions or independent expenditures must also be summarized on Schedule D.

SUBTOTAL \$ 7,371

## Schedule E Summary

1.	Itemized payments made this period. (Include all Schedule E subtotals.)	7,3	371
	Unitemized payments made this period of under \$100\$	0	
	Total interest paid this period on loans. (Enter amount from Schedule B, Part 1, Column (e).)	0	****
	Total payments made this period. (Add Lines 1, 2, and 3. Enter here and on the Summary Page, Column A, Line 6.)		371

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# Schedule E (Continuation Sheet) **Payments Made**

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186 E HAMILTON, EL CENTRO, CA 92243

CAMPAIGN WORKERS

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**SUBTOTAL \$ 12,091** 

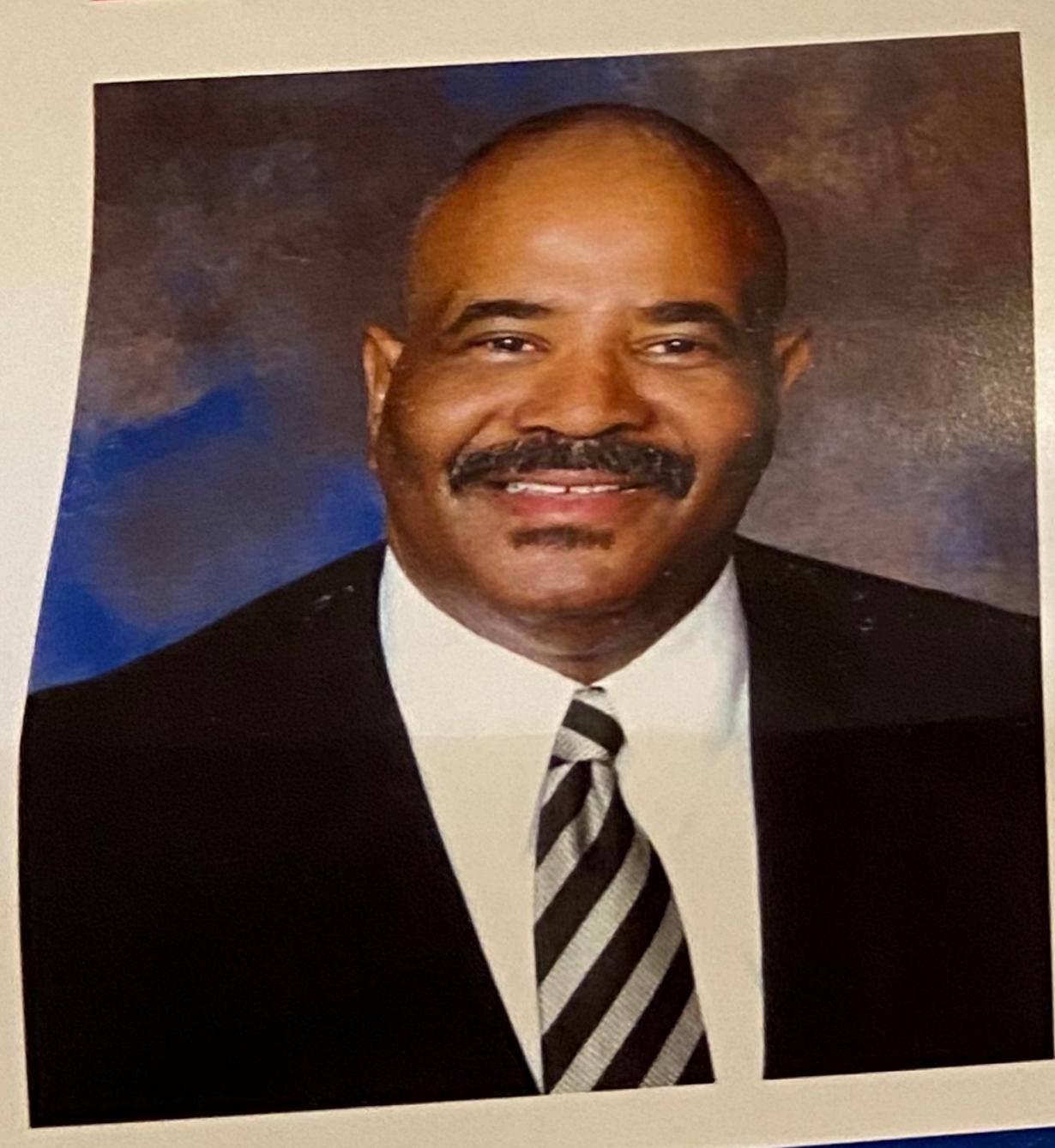
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# Re-Elect Michael



# El Centro Elementary School Board

- Proven Leadership
- Dedicated
- Experienced

El Centro Elementary School Board

As a former teacher and principal, my background and experience in education qualifies me to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees. As a former teacher and principal, my successful that gave me an opportunity to serve the families and community of the El Centro ElementaIt's been my desire to give back to the community that gave me an opportunity to serve the families and community of the El Centro Elementa-It's been my desire to give back to the first of the second of the lamines and community of the El Centro Elementa-ry School District. Now that I've retired, your vote will help me to do so. I have a total of 44 years' of service in the education field as a ry School District. Now that I so school principal for 16 years and a Member of the Board of Trustees for the El Centro Elementary School classroom teacher for 19 years, a school principal for 16 years and a Member of the Board of Trustees for the El Centro Elementary School

District for the past 5 years.

My experience has helped me gain knowledge in fiscal management and budgets, categorical programs, curriculum development, parent

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If Re-Elected, I will continue to be accessible to parents and the community, I will continue to remain open-minded, and will continue to welcome input from teachers and the district administration in addressing the needs as we continue to work towards the common goal of academic success. I will continue to devote the necessary time and commitment to setting board policy, solving educational issues and meeting the educational goals established by the district and the state.

# My Experience - 44 YEARS

- 9 years of service as an El Centro Elementary School District Board Member
- Advocate for Expanded Academic Support During School Hours
- Advocate for After School Programs and Extra-Curricular Activities
- Proven Records in Creating a Positive Educational Learning Environment Elementary Teacher 19 years
- **Elementary Principal 16 years**
- Attended and Graduated from local Schools
- Active in the Local Community and local Church Organization
- Improved facilities throughout the School District
- Instrumental in helping to pass a bond to build a new school

\* Proven Leadership \* Visionary \* Dedicated \* Experienced

Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix



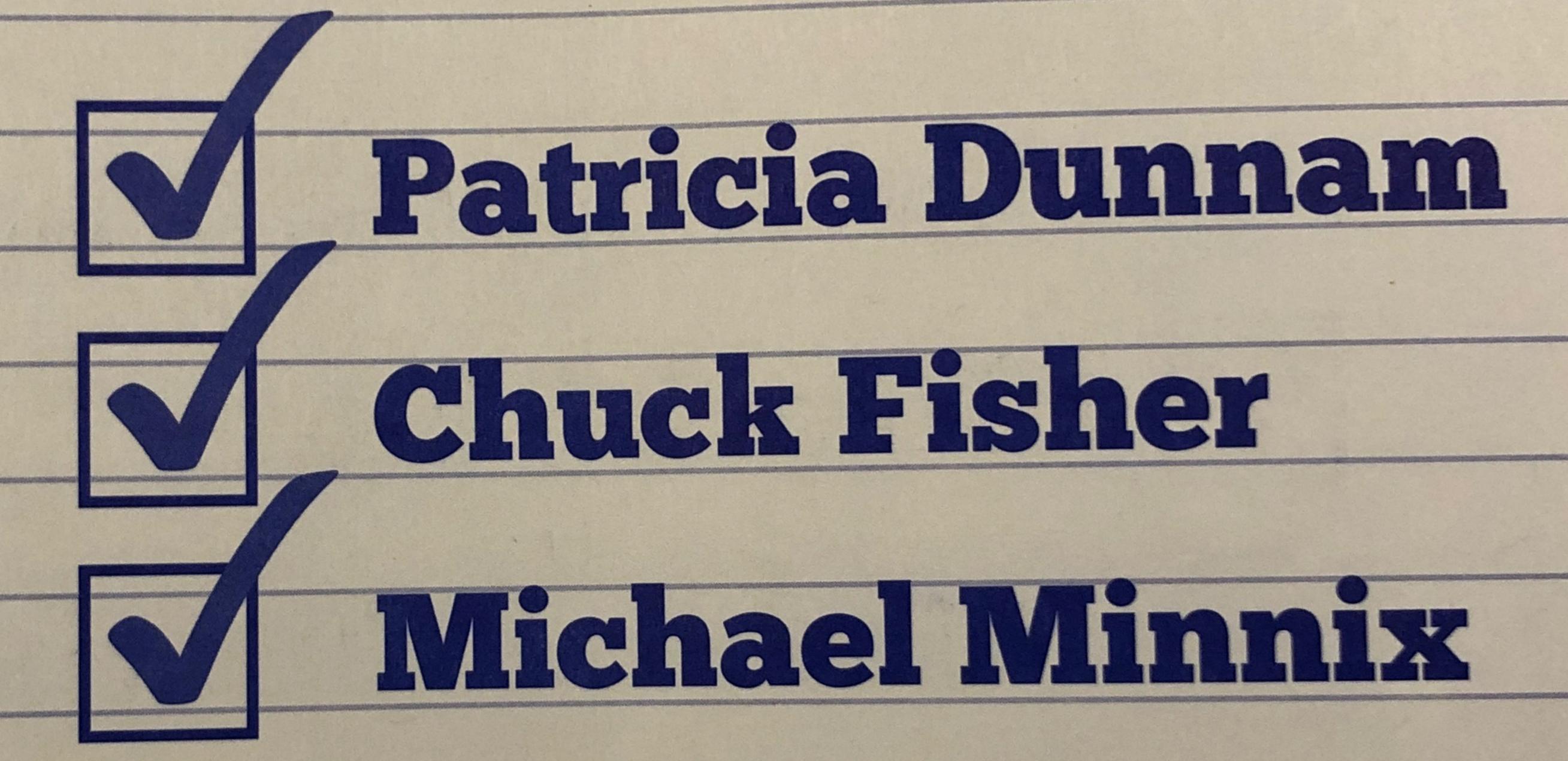
Join El Centro Elementary Teachers

November 3rd

And

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For our 3 School Board Incumbents



Educators in El Centro Elementary want to keep leaders who unite us around a shared vision of high quality neighborhood schools for every student in El Centro Elementary

# Unase a los Maestros de Primaria de El Centro

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3 de Noviembre

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Por nuestros 3 Titulares de la Junta Escolar



Chuck Fisher

Michael Minnix

Los educadores de la Primaria de El Centro quieren mantener a los líderes que nos unen en torno a una visión compartida de escuelas de vecindario de alta calidad para cada estudiante de la Primaria de El Centro.





May 29, 2025

Michael Minnix Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix

### NOTICE OF DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER

Re: FPPC Nos. 2020-00817 & 2020-00998; In the Matter of Michael Minnix; Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix

Dear Michael Minnix and Committee:

On March 18, 2025, 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 **June 19, 2025**. 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 **August 21, 2025** and impose an administrative penalty of \$41,000 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) 237-5974 or <a href="mailto:local.gov">local.gov</a> if you wish to enter into a settlement to resolve this matter in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Laura Columbel
Commission Counsel
Enforcement Division

Laura Columbel

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Government Code section 11505.



August 7, 2025

Michael Minnix Committee to Re-Elect Michael Minnix



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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 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 **September 18, 2025** meeting. Please contact me at (279) 237-5974 or <a href="looked-looked-months-looked-looked-months-lo

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Sincerely,

Laura Columbel

Laura Columbel Commission Counsel Enforcement Division

Enclosures: Default Decision and Order, Exhibit 1 and attachments