



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION
20 Trinity Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106 - 1628

MINUTES
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
20 Trinity Street, 5th Floor Conference Room
October 8, 2008
3:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Cashman called the meeting to order at 3:09 P.M. Commissioners Jenkins, Gerratana, Dolan and Bozzuto were present. Agency staff was also present.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Approval of the Minutes of the October 1, 2008 Regular Meeting

It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Dolan to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2008 regular meeting. So voted.

III. Pending Complaints and Investigations

A. Public Session

1. In the Matter of a Complaint by Jason A. Carlascio, Waterbury
Proposed Consent Agreement and Order
File No. 2008-076
Respondent: Selim Noujaim
Investigator: Attorney William Smith
Managing Attorney: Joan M. Andrews

Attorney Andrews summarized the above referenced complaint and the proposed Consent Agreement and Order. She stated that Respondent Selim Noujaim has signed the proposed agreement and paid a \$100.00 civil penalty. She recommended its adoption.

It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana to adopt the proposed Consent Agreement and Order in File No. 2008-076. So voted. A copy of the Consent Agreement and Order is attached and incorporated herein as part of these minutes.

It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Dolan at 3:09 P.M. to proceed into Executive Session pursuant to C.G.S. 1-200(6) (B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(3) and (4) to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims and exempt records relating thereto. So voted. Commissioners Cashman, Jenkins, Gerratana, Dolan and Bozzuto were present. Staff members present were: Mr. Garfield, Mr. Lenge, Ms. Andrews, Mr. Smith, Ms. Bergquist, Mr. Crayton, Ms. Blackburn, Mr. Ahern, Ms. Stratton, Ms. Love, Ms. Rotman via teleconference call, Ms. Nicolescu, Mr. Urso, Ms. Kulmacz, Ms. Staniewicz, Ms. Sadowski, Ms. Montgomery, Ms. Zaccagnino and Ms. Kief and Assistant Attorney General Perry Zinn-Rowthorn who was invited into the Executive Session for discussion on the Gonzalez case, and left when said discussion, which was taken up first, had concluded at or about 3:20 P.M.

It was moved by Commissioner Gerratana and seconded by Commissioner Dolan at 4:08 p.m. to return to public session. So voted.

Returning to Public Session the Commission took the following action:

B. Executive Session per C.G.S. 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(3) and (4)

1. In Re: Government Action Fund PAC

File No. 2008-003

Investigators: Charles Urso and Dara Howard

Managing Attorney: Joan M. Andrews

This matter was continued.

2. In Re: Airey-Wilson for Senate

File No. 2008-126

Investigators: Attorney Marc Crayton and Charles Urso

Managing Attorney: Joan M. Andrews

This matter was continued.

3. In Re: JCJ Architecture, Inc.

File No. 2008-120

Investigators: Attorney Kevin Ahern and Attorney Shannon Bergquist

Managing Attorney: Joan M. Andrews

This matter was continued.

IV. Pending Litigation - Executive Session per C.G.S. 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(3) and (4)

1. Gonzalez v. SEEC

2. In Re: "Tom Gaffey for State Senate"

No votes were taken.

V. *Consideration of Applications for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund*

Chairman Cashman stated his desire to have all grant applications that were recommended by staff to be continued without prejudice, to be addressed by the Commission in one motion. The following items were recommended for continuance without prejudice:

It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Dolan to continue without prejudice items 8, 10, 14, 19, 20 and 23 on the agenda. So voted.

8. "Colapietro for Senate" Tom Colapietro
10. "Matt Corcoran for Hamden" Matt Corcoran
14. "Abercrombie '08" Catherine Abercrombie
19. "Morris Is For Us" Bruce Morris
20. "The Committee to Elect Cheryl Bochet" Cheryl Bochet
23. "Friends of Farah" Ted Farah

Dianna Kulmacz, Director of Campaign Disclosure and Audit, then summarized the following grant applications and results of the staff review.

1. "Airey-Wilson for Senate" Veronica Airey-Wilson
Chairman Cashman acknowledged that the Commission is aware of a pending Commission investigation associated with this campaign. While the investigation is not yet complete, the circumstances of the matter do not appear to warrant further delay, or denial of the application. It was then moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Dolan to approve the grant application for "Airey-Wilson for Senate." So voted.
2. "Tom Gaffey for State Senate" Tom Gaffey
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Bozzuto to approve the grant application for "Tom Gaffey for State Senate." Approved 4-1, Chairman Cashman voting no.
3. "Andersen '08" Janice Andersen
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Bozzuto to approve the grant application for "Andersen '08" Janice Andersen." So voted.
4. "Bowley for the 132nd" Ralph Bowley
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Bozzuto to approve the grant application for "Bowley for the 132nd." So voted.
5. "Stevenson 2008" David Stevenson
It was moved by Commissioner Gerratana and seconded by Commissioner Dolan to approve the grant application for "Stevenson 2008." So voted.

6. "The Committee to Re-elect State Senator Eric D. Coleman" Eric Coleman
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana to approve the grant application for "The Committee to Re-elect State Senator Eric D. Coleman." So voted.
7. "Simones for Senate" Thomas Simones
It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "Simones for Senate." So voted.
9. "Committee to Re-Elect Senator John Kissel" John Kissel
It was moved by Commissioner Gerratana and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "Committee to Re-Elect Senator John Kissel." So voted.
11. "Rossi for Senate" Tamath Rossi
It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "Rossi for Senate." So voted.
12. "Harris for State Senate" Jonathan Harris
It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "Harris for Senate." So voted.
13. "John Stripp 2008" John Stripp
It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "John Stripp 2008." So voted.
15. "Committee to Elect Stephen R. Ferrucci III State Representative" Stephen Ferrucci
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Dolan to approve the grant application for "Committee to Elect Stephen R. Ferrucci III State Representative." So voted.
16. "Hartley '08" Joan Hartley
It was moved by Commissioner Dolan and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "Hartley '08." So voted.
17. "Serra for State Representative" Joseph Serra
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana to approve the grant application for "Serra for State Representative." So voted.
18. "Friends of Andrew McDonald" Andrew McDonald
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana to approve the grant application for "Friends of Andrew McDonald." So voted.
21. "Friends of Altobello" Emil Altobello
It was moved by Commissioner Bozzuto and seconded by Commissioner Jenkins to approve the grant application for "Friends of Altobello." So voted.

22. "Roldan 2008" Kelvin Roldan
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana to approve the grant application for "Roldan 2008." So voted.
24. "Committee to Elect Sue Lavelli-Hozempa" Susan Lavelli-Hozempa
It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana to approve the grant application for "Committee to Elect Sue Lavelli-Hozempa." So voted.

VI. *Non-Filer Compliance*

File No. 2007-420 NF
Hartford Democratic Town Committee
Respondent: Paul Ritter, Treasurer
Investigator: Attorney Shannon Bergquist
Managing Attorney: Joan M. Andrews

Compliance with Connecticut General Statutes
§9-608 and §9-623

Recommendation: Commission takes administrative notice of compliance with the statutes indicated, and accepts, as full settlement the payment of \$200.00 to the State of Connecticut and will take no further action with respect to this matter.

Compliance with Connecticut General Statutes §9-608 and §9-623

It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Bozzuto that the Commission takes administrative notice of compliance with the statutes indicated, and accepts, as full settlement the payment of \$200.00 to the State of Connecticut and will take no further action with respect to this matter. So voted.

VII. *Administrative Reports*

Mr. Garfield updated the Commission on the upcoming October 10 filing deadlines and indicated we are prepared to assist anyone that requires help with the eCRIS filing system. Mr. Garfield is also happy to report that we have one half of our total filers using our new eCRIS filing system on a voluntary basis.

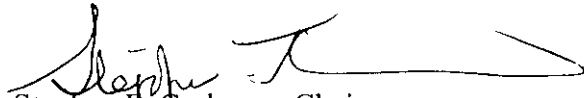
VIII. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Gerratana at 4:33 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes of the Commission were unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Stratton
Acting Clerk of the Commission

Adopted this 15th day of October, 2008, at Hartford, Connecticut.


Stephen F. Cashman, Chairman
By Order of the Commission

The next meeting will be a Regular Meeting held on October 15, 2008 at 9:00 A.M., in the 5th Floor Conference Room, and a special meeting on October 16 at 3:00 P.M. by telephone conference call to take final action on any remaining grant application.