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The Missouri Ethics Commission, at its July 9, 2009 meeting, took the following actions:

The following cases were dismissed as they were unsubstantiated:

<u>09E052 Denise Simpson</u>, Jackson Co., 130.016.6, 130.041.1, 130.031.8 RSMo.

<u>09E069 American Democracy Alliance, Philip Krause</u>, Jackson Co., 130.021, 130.036, 130.041, RSMo.

09E070 David Allen, Jackson Co., 130.021, 130.036, 130.041, RSMo.

09E082 Sylvester Caldwell, St. Louis Co., 79.940, 71.943, 71.946, 71.948, RSMo.

09E088 Linda Kidd, Jackson Co., 130.031.8 RSMo.

09E093 David Shearer, Jackson Co., 130.031.8 RSMo.

09E094 Gerald Cook, Jackson Co., 130.031.8 RSMo.

09E098 Denise Simpson, Jackson Co., 130.041.1 RSMo.

09E107 Eric Downs, Jefferson Co., 130.031.8 RSMo.

The Commission approved the following Joint Stipulations of Facts, Conclusions of Law, Waiver of Hearing before the Missouri Ethics Commission, and issued a Consent Order in the following cases:

08E186 Jack Hogue

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Jack Hogue violated Section 105.458(1) RSMo. as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered that a fee is imposed against the Respondent Jack Hogue in the amount of \$3,958.00 pursuant to \$105.961.4(6) RSMo. However, if Respondent Jack Hogue pays \$790.00 of that fee within forty-five (45) days after the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years. If Respondent Jack Hogue has not committed any further violations of the conflict of interest laws pursuant to Chapter 105, RSMo., during the two year stay, then Respondent will not be required to pay the balance of this fee.

09R002 Invest with Yes Committee, Lisa Jennings, Treasurer

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Lisa Jennings, Treasurer and Invest with Yes Committee violated Chapter 130 RSMo. as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered that a fee is imposed against the Respondent Lisa Jennings, Treasurer and Invest with Yes Committee in the amount of \$1,600.00 pursuant to \$ 105.961.4(6) RSMo. However, if Respondent pays \$160.00 of that fee within forty-five (45) days after the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years. If Respondent Lisa Jennings,

Treasurer and Invest with Yes Committee have not committed any further violations of the campaign finance disclosure laws pursuant to Chapter 130, RSMo. during the two year stay, then Respondent will not be required to pay the balance of this fee.

09E060 Steve Huff

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Steve Huff violated §115.646, RSMo. as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered that a letter of reprimand be issued to Respondent Steve Huff pursuant to §105.961.4 (4), RSMo. It is further ordered by the Commission that the appropriate disciplinary authority over Respondent Steve Huff be notified of this joint stipulation and consent order.

08E207 Hubert Delay, Jr.

The Commission entered a Consent Order with Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law ("Joint Stipulation") finding probable cause that the Respondent Hubert Delay, Jr. violated §105.454 (1) RSMo. as stated in the Joint Stipulation. The Commission ordered Respondent Hubert Delay to pay the Mississippi County General Fund \$400.00 which represents the total amount paid to Respondent in excess of \$5,000.00 per year in 2007 and 2008 in violation of section 105.454(1) RSMo. within 10 days of notification of the effective date of the consent order. It is further ordered by the Commission that a fee is imposed against the Respondent Hubert Delay, Jr. in the amount of \$1,400.00 pursuant to \$105.961.4(6) RSMo. However, if Respondent pays \$400.00 of that fee within forty-five (45) days after the date of the Order, the remainder of the fee will be stayed for two years. If Respondent Hubert Delay, Jr. has not committed any further violations of the conflict of interest laws pursuant to Chapter 105, RSMo., during the two year stay, then Respondent will not be required to pay the balance of this fee.

<u>07E039 Steven Earp</u> This case was referred to the St. Louis Circuit Attorney on August 30, 2007. On June 11, 2009 the Commission was informed that Steven Earp was convicted of 2 counts of stealing of \$25,000 from the Citizens for Education & Job Training Committee. He received a suspended execution of sentence five and six years, respectively, with five years probation and was ordered to pay restitution of \$189,000.00 within 30 days. The Commission therefore closed the case.