



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95811

February 3, 2020

Anne Oliva

Via email: [REDACTED]

California Real Estate Independent Expenditures Committee
1121 L Street #600
Sacramento, CA 94066
Via email: [REDACTED]

Re: FPPC Complaint No. COM-01312020-00258

Dear Ms. Oliva and Committee:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ The Enforcement Division received a complaint alleging that you may have violated the Act’s campaign disclosure provisions. The complainant alleges:

“This is an official complaint to the FPPC for illegal/improper Independent Expenditures. Please forward this to Secretary of State Alex Padilla and Attorney General Xavier Bacerra for criminal or civil prosecution for violating restrictions on coordinating Independent Expenditures.

This complaint contains my personal comments and represents only myself and not any organization, club or committee I may belong to.

Per Secretary of State website between Jan 10 and Jan 18 2020 the California Real Estate Independent Expenditures Committee- California Association of Realtors has made nine total payments of \$174,367.29 total that have appeared to fund three different multi page high definition full color mailers to what I believe is likely every voter in San Mateo County and perhaps Santa Clara County.

Throughout 2019-2020 this PAC appears to have made only a single payment unrelated to Ms Oliva.

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code Sections 81000 through 91014.

These mailers are full color, show candidate Ms Oliva in high definition photos that do not appear online in 7 different colored blazers, with same actors in multiple poses in different mailers and many appear to be the result of a professional staged photo shoot with professional hair and makeup and post production editing. It is likely these mailers are produced by the same company using the same employees as other materials Ms Oliva has put forward.

These mailers do not overlap in time or location with any mailers claimed by the Candidate Ms Oliva or Candidate's committee which does not appear to have produced any mailers.

Ms Oliva is in frequent company/contact at political and social events with Gina Zari, a representative of San Mateo County Association of Realtors Government Affairs and Susan Vaterlaus whose autobiography lists President Elect San Mateo County Association of REALTORS, Director California Association of REALTORS, Director National Association of REALTORS, Member MLS Listings Rules and Regulations Member MLS Listings Advisory Committee, Member CAR MLS Committee, Member CAR Federal Issues Committee, Member CAR Professional Standards Committee, Member CAR Risk Management and Consumer Protection Committee .

Ms Oliva's autobiography in addition to "Tap Dance instructor" includes CREPAC Trustee 2014, California Real Estate Political Action Committee, San Mateo County Real Estate Board President 2013, Lifetime employee of the Bay Area Real Estate industry and was a 2015-17 CREPAC Trustee (2015-2017), following is a synopsis of action items approved by the CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® Board of Directors at its Spring 2015 meetings in Sacramento and is also a 2017 applicant/member to California Real Estate Political Application Committee.

Candidate Oliva's likely physical distance from other California Association of Realtor directors (2018): Sue Vaterlaus (Pacifica CA) (22 miles), David Zigal (San Mateo CA) (6 miles), Jill Broadhurst (Oakland, CA) (27 miles), RoseMarie McNair (Capitola, CA) (72 miles), John Torres (Healdsburg, CA) (81 miles), Ernesto Ochoa (Merced, CA) (146 miles), Elizabeth Hurst (Twain Harte, CA) (157 miles), Sandi Bauman (Chico, CA) (179 miles), Briana Quinn (Ventura, CA) (351 miles), Jeff Comstock (Ventura, CA) (351 miles), Janet Dorsey (Camarillo, CA) (367 miles), Theresa Grant (Blue Jay, CA) (376 miles), Jay Avirom (Los Angeles, CA) (386 miles), Ruth Hayles (Los Angeles, CA) (386 miles), Patricia Douglas (Inglewood, CA) (389 miles), Lynn Aglipay (Redondo Beach, CA) (397 miles), Joseph Pacilio (Arcadia, CA) (393 miles), Lisa Mejri (Diamond Bar, CA) (412 miles), Serena Whyte (Oak Hills, CA) (421 miles), Brenda Meyer (Crestline, CA) (441 miles)

CARIEC payment dates:

01/10/2020 \$39,725.69, 01/18/2020 \$38,957.98, 01/14/2020 \$25,389.54, 01/18/2020 \$23,427.10, 01/15/2020 \$18,062.27, 01/18/2020 \$18,062.27, 01/10/2020 \$8,541.89, 01/10/2020 \$1,937.25, 01/10/2020 \$263.30”

At this time, we have not made any determination about the allegations made in the complaint. We are requesting information, including documentation, about the allegations described above. **Please submit your response in writing within 14 days** from the date of this letter to Tara Stock at tstock@fppc.ca.gov, or the address provided above. Upon receipt of your response, we will review the information to determine whether or not to investigate the allegations.

Sincerely,

Enforcement Division
Fair Political Practices Commission