

Cook, Scott

From: Curt Dallas <curtdallas4lewisandclarkcc@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 8:54 PM
To: Cook, Scott
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Guthrie v Dallas, COPP-2022-CFP-010: Notice of Attribution Deficiency
Attachments: Response - Guthrie v. Dallas, 2022-CFP-010.pdf

Scott,

Attached you will find my response to the complaint filed against me by Mr. Guthrie. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Curt Dallas
1212 Stetson Rd
Helena, MT 59602
406-410-0769

On Tue, May 17, 2022 at 9:59 AM Cook, Scott <SCook3@mt.gov> wrote:

Curt,

Please see the attached copy of *Guthrie v Dallas*, COPP-2022-CFP-010, a formal Campaign Finance and Practices (CFP) Complaint recently received by the COPP. A letter from Commissioner Mangan is also included. Hard copies of these documents can be sent via U.S. Mail upon request.

The Commissioner has determined that the allegation that certain campaign material/s fail to include the full 'paid for by' attribution statement is merited, as certain materials noted in the complaint do not appear to visibly include attribution messaging as required ('Paid for by' with the candidate's name and address) under [13-35-225](#), Mont. Code Ann. You will need to add the required attribution message to all copies of the materials that do not include it (including addition of full attribution messaging to materials that include only a partial attribution) and email a photo to the COPP showing the attribution message added; this needs to be done no later than the end of the day Thursday, May 19, 2022 (within 2 business days), as provided for under 13-35-225(6)(a)(i), Mont. Code Ann. A candidate who "fails to bring the material into compliance as required...is subject to a civil penalty pursuant to 13-37-218, MCA", 13-35-225(6)(b), Mont. Code Ann. If unable to meet the 2 business day timeline noted above, all unattributed material/s should be withdrawn from display as soon as practicable until full 'paid for by' messaging has been added.

Please provide a formal written response to the attribution portion of the complaint, including the required remedy as detailed above, on or before Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 5:00 PM. As part of this response, please provide descriptions (including quantity) of material/s requiring attribution remedy.

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May 18, 2022

JEFF MANGAN, Commissioner of Political Practices
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Subject: Complaint received May 16, 2022; Guthrie v. Dallas, 2022-CFP-010

Mr. Mangan,
I provide the following response to the complaint filed by Mr. Guthrie:

Purchased today were 200 labels to correction the attribution complaint filed by Mr. Guthrie. Those labels have been installed on approximately 20 campaign signs. I estimate an additional 20 signs that still need to have the label installed. The remaining signs will be corrected by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2022.

The corrective label states the following:

Paid for by Curt Dallas for L&C County Commission Campaign, 1212 Stetson Rd., Helena, MT 59602

Additionally, signs which included the attribution but may not have been visible due to how the signs were installed has also or is being corrected using the labels described above and adhering those labels in a visible location.

Below I offer you photos of some of the signs which were corrected today.

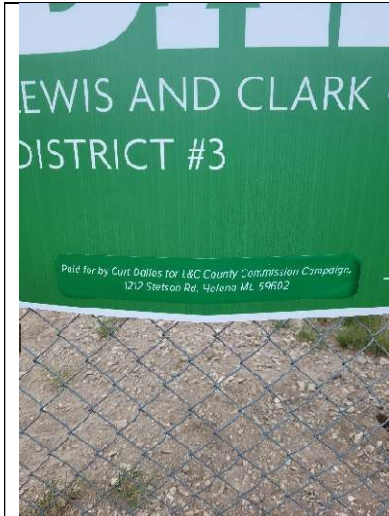
It was never my intention to not provide the required information. It was simply an oversight and I am happy to and obviously responsible for making the corrections.

As a side note, please be aware that in Mr. Guthrie's attempt to document the shortcomings in the attributes on my signs, that Mr. Guthrie did trespass on private property in order to take the photos he submitted.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

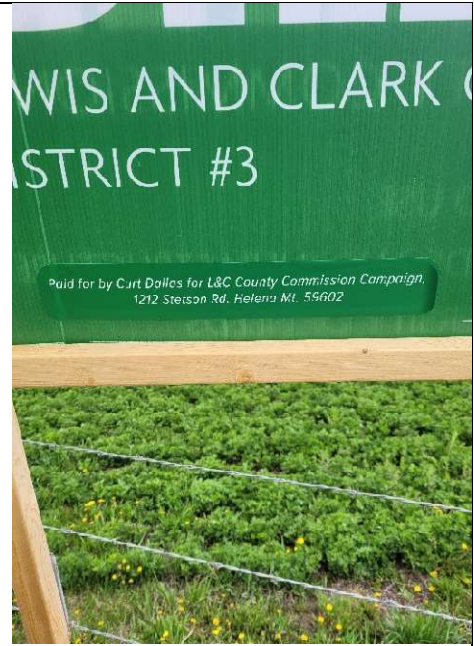
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N Montana Ave near West Valley VFD



N Montana Ave near West Valley VFD



N Montana Ave at Empire Equipment



Yard sign located at Dave's Exxon



Yard sign located at Dave's Exxon



Yard sign located at Dave's Exxon



Yard sign located on Brookfield Dr



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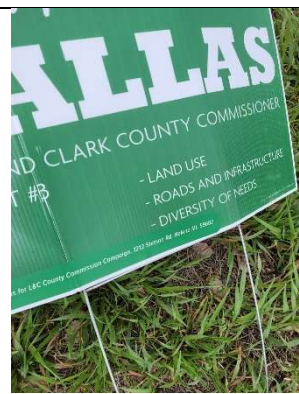
Located at corner of Willow Ave and Green Meadow Dr



Located on Mill Road



Located on York Road



Located on York Road



Located on York Road



Located on Canyon Ferry Rd



Located on Wylie Drive