Cook, Scott

From: Devin Marconi <marconi4house@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 1:52 PM

To: Cook, Scott

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Marconi4house campaign shirts

Hey, Scott,

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly. Attached is a photo of the shirts. Please let me know if there is anything else I can do. Thank you so much!

Best,

Devin Marconi



On Mon, May 6, 2024, 12:54 PM Cook, Scott < <u>SCook3@mt.gov</u> > wrote:
Devin,
Thanks for reaching out. Could you please send us a picture of the shirt material? That way, COPP can document this and provide it should questions or attribution related complaints arise.
I hope this helps! Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions about Montana's "paid for by" attribution requirements- (406) 444-4627 or scook3@mt.gov . Thanks!
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Election Materials Not To Be Anonymous -- Notice -- Penalty

13-35-225. Election materials not to be anonymous -- notice -- penalty. (1) All election communications, electioneering communications, and independent expenditures must clearly and conspicuously include the attribution "paid for by" followed by the name and address of the person who made or financed the expenditure for the communication. The attribution must contain:

- (a) for election communications or electioneering communications financed by a candidate or a candidate's campaign finances, the name and the address of the candidate or the candidate's campaign;
- (b) for election communications, electioneering communications, or independent expenditures financed by a political committee or a joint fundraising committee, the name of the committee, the name of the committee treasurer, deputy treasurer, secretary, vice chairperson, or chairperson, as designated pursuant to **13-37-201**(2)(b), and the address of the committee or the named committee officer; and

- (c) for election communications, electioneering communications, or independent expenditures financed by a political committee that is a corporation or a union, the name of the corporation or union, its chief executive officer or equivalent, and the address of the principal place of business.
- (2) Communications in a partisan election financed by a candidate, a political committee organized on the candidate's behalf, or a joint fundraising committee with a participant who is a candidate or a political committee organized on the candidate's behalf must state the candidate's party affiliation or include the party symbol.
- (3) If a document or other article of advertising is too small for the requirements of subsections (1) and (2) to be conveniently included, the candidate responsible for the material or the person financing the communication shall file a copy of the article with the commissioner of political practices, together with the required information or statement, at the time of its public distribution.
- (4) If information required in subsections (1) and (2) is omitted or not printed or if the information required by subsection (3) is not filed with the commissioner, upon discovery of or notification about the omission, the candidate responsible for the material or the person financing the communication shall:
- (a) file notification of the omission with the commissioner of political practices within 2 business days of the discovery or notification;
- (b) bring the material into compliance with subsections (1) and (2) or file the information required by subsection (3) with the commissioner; and
 - (c) withdraw any noncompliant communication from circulation as soon as reasonably possible.
- (5) Whenever the commissioner receives a complaint alleging any violation of subsections (1) and (2), the commissioner shall as soon as practicable assess the merits of the complaint.
- (6) (a) If the commissioner determines that the complaint has merit, the commissioner shall notify the complainant and the candidate or political committee of the commissioner's determination. The notice must state that the candidate or political committee shall bring the material into compliance as required under this section:
- (i) within 2 business days after receiving the notification if the notification occurs more than 7 days prior to an election; or
 - (ii) within 24 hours after receiving the notification if the notification occurs 7 days or less prior to an election.
- (b) When notifying the candidate or campaign committee under subsection (6)(a), the commissioner shall include a statement that if the candidate, political committee, or joint fundraising committee fails to bring the material into compliance as required under this section, the candidate, political committee, or joint fundraising committee is subject to a civil penalty pursuant to **13-37-128**.

From: Devin Marconi <marconi4house@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 6:48 PM **To:** CPP Help < cpphelp@mt.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Marconi4house campaign shirts

Hello, All,

I am reaching out because I have 18 shirts without the paid for information on it. I have recently bought the materials to iron the information onto the shirts although I have had some difficulties with getting my printer to work for this. I will continue to try and get the information on the shirts but they are currently without. The information that should be on the shirts is written below. Thank you.
Paid for by the campaign for Devin Marconi: Marconi4house. (Democrat) PO Box 7006 Kalispell, MT 59904

Best,

Devin Marconi