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From: Vaughn Jenkins <vljenkins54@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 9:50 AM
To: Cook, Scott
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: New Complaint Received- Sasse v. Jenkins, COPP-2023-CFP-019

Thanks for the update, the sign in question is owned by me. I've had it for about 12 years. The cost of the sign has been expensed out many years ago from the business I own. The only cost involved is the electricity it takes to operate it (it is an LED sign and takes pennies to operate.) The sign hangs inside a building that I also own so there is no rental value attached to it. As a side note, I allow others to put up signs for communities event in the windows at no charge. I hope this clarifies my dilemma with your department, let me know what else I need to do to correct this issue. Thank you.

On Tue, Oct 17, 2023 at 9:10 AM Cook, Scott <SCook3@mt.gov> wrote:

Vaughn,

Thank you for sending that attribution information- I can confirm COPP's receipt. As noted in Commissioner Gallus' letter informing you of this complaint, COPP does also request you provide us with a written response "specifically identifying or explaining the amount expended by yourself or your campaign to produce and display campaign signs such as the one noted in this complaint". As a courtesy, copies of both the original Complaint and the Commissioner's letter to yourself addressing the complaint are attached to this message.

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From: Vaughn Jenkins <vljenkins54@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 5:26 PM
To: Cook, Scott <SCook3@mt.gov>
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On Mon, Oct 16, 2023 at 12:57 PM Cook, Scott <SCook3@mt.gov> wrote:

Vaughn,

Please see the attached copy of *Sasse v. Jenkins*, COPP-2023-CFP-019, a formal Campaign Finance and Practices (CFP) Complaint received by COPP. See also the attached letter from Commissioner Gallus addressing this complaint- as noted in the Commissioner's letter, COPP does require that you add all relevant 'paid for by' attribution information (a statement of 'paid for by' followed by your campaign's name and address) to the material noted within the 2 business day period provided by law, and provide photo notice that this action has been taken to COPP. Failure to bring the material into compliance as required is subject to a civil penalty pursuant to 13-37-128, MCA. As a courtesy, full attribution requirements as outlined under 13-35-225, MCA are provided, below.

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