

Cook, Scott

From: Elijah Tidswell <elijah Tidswellformat@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 6, 2026 10:39 PM
To: Cook, Scott
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Zolnikov v. Montana Young Republicans, COPP-2026-CFP-001
Attachments: COPP Report.png; COPP Report 2.png

Dear Commissioner Gallus and Mr. Cook,

I apologize for the inconvenience. As of this evening, the report has been submitted. We experienced technical difficulties in the days leading up to the deadline and had been in contact with your office beforehand to keep you informed, as well as on the day this complaint was sent to us.

Attached is a screenshot of the submitted report for your reference.

Thank you to everyone in your office for working with us throughout this process, and I sincerely apologize for any additional workload this may have caused.

Sincerely,
Elijah Tidswell
Chair of Montana Young Republicans

On Mon, Apr 6, 2026 at 4:15 PM Cook, Scott <SCook3@mt.gov> wrote:

John/Elijah,

Please see the attached copy of *Zolnikov v. Montana Young Republicans*, COPP-2026-CFP-001, a formal Campaign Finance and Practices (CFP) Complaint submitted to COPP and initially accepted by Commissioner Gallus. A letter from the Commissioner briefly outlining the formal Complaint process and requesting that you provide a formal written response is also attached. Hard copies of these documents can be provided via U.S. Mail upon request, and a copy of this complaint will be posted to COPP's agency website tomorrow (April 7, 2026).

Scott Cook

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Committee Name: Montana Young Republicans

Mailing Address: PO Box 20425 Billings, MT 59104

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Bank Information:

Western Security Bank
2401 Grand Ave Billings, MT 59102

Summary Report

Cash Summary: Money Received and Spent

1. Cash in Bank - Balance from previous report		\$1,789.98
2. Receipts - Total Received and deposited this period	+	<u>\$0.00</u>
	Subtotal	\$1,789.98
3. Expenditures - Total paid out this period	-	<u>\$1,581.12</u>
4. Cash in Bank - Ending Balance this report		\$208.86