

Missoula Mayor Independent Committee  
2814 Brooks St #203  
Missoula, MT 59801

September 13, 2023

Subject: Supplemental response to Goldman v. Missoula Mayor Political Committee, COPP-2023-CFP-009

Dear Commissioner Gallus:

This letter is in response to your request on August 31, 2023, regarding the amendment to alleged violations of MCA 13-1-101 by the Missoula Mayor Committee.


Upon review of your request for the Missoula Mayor political committee to address specific questions, it is our understanding that only one question was directed to our committee. "Was the Missoula Mayor political committee provided with all collected responses or data from NAR's April 3-7 poll? If so, by whom was it provided, and when?"

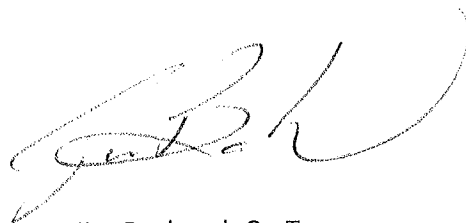
As previously stated in our original response the Missoula Mayor political committee, was formed on June 1, 2023. At the time of this committee's formation the co-treasurer, Mr. Bachand who is also the CEO of MOR saw no reason to utilize the polling information beyond its initial value of determining any candidate viability in his capacity as the CEO for MOR. Beyond this consideration and if COPP determines the poll constitutes a contribution, any possible value at the time that the poll information was actually used would be so small it would not trigger reporting or a disclosure obligation.

It would be our expectation that the remaining questions that you are requesting a response, would be addressed by either NAR or MOR.

Finally, as previously stated in the original response if there are any recommendations from the commissioner of corrections to ensure our filing complies with MCA 13, we are committed to implementing them immediately. We have no intention of misleading anyone, as transparency is paramount to maintain a high degree of public trust.

Sincerely,

  
Shannon Winterer (Sep 14, 2023 17:21 MDT)  
Shannon Winterer, Co-Treasurer

  
Jim Bachand, Co-Treasurer