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Fwd: Freedom of Information Act Request to the Federal Election Commission (FOIA 2018-024)

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To: Laura Beckerman <lbeckerman@gmail.com>

From: FOIA <FOIA@fec.gov>

Date: January 12, 2018 at 4:04:30 PM EST

To: "aweismann@citizensforethics.org" <aweismann@citizensforethics.org>

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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Re: Your Freedom of Information Act Request to the Federal Election Commission (FOIA 2018-024)

Dear Ms. Weismann:

This email responds to the request you filed for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) received by the Federal Election Commission's (FEC) FOIA Requester Service Center on December 20, 2017. On December 28, 2017, the FOIA Service Center granted your requests for a fee waiver and expedited processing. Your FOIA request sought the following:

“[A]n unredacted copy of the public record in MUR 6920, In the matter of American Conservative Union, et al.”

On December 15, 2017, Plaintiff John Doe 2, a trust, and Plaintiff John Doe 1, the trustee of plaintiff John Doe 2, filed suit asking the United States District Court for the District of Columbia to enjoin the Commission from disclosing their identities in connection with FEC Matter Under Review (“MUR”) 6920. *See Doe et al. v. FEC*, No. 17-02694 (D.D.C. Dec. 15, 2017). Pursuant to an order of the district court, entered December 18, 2017, the Commission is currently barred from publishing an unredacted version of the investigative materials in MUR 6920 it would otherwise disclose on the public record. *Id.* We must therefore deny your request under the district court's order. *See Morgan v. Dep't of Justice*, 923 F.2d 195, 196-97 (D.C. Cir. 1991).

You may contact our Acting FOIA Public Liaison, Robert Kahn, at (202) 694-1650 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Chief FOIA Officer, Federal Election Commission, [999 E Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20463](#), or sending an e-mail to foia@fec.gov. Any such appeal should follow the guidelines set forth in the Commission's FOIA regulations at 11 C.F.R. § 4.8. Thank you for contacting the FEC.

Sincerely,

Steve N. Hajjar
FOIA Requester Service Center