

STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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ELECTIONS COMMISSION

**In Re:** Norman Abramowitz

Case No.: FEC 00-145

F.O. No.: DOSFEC 01-173 W

**CONSENT ORDER**

The Respondent, Norman Abramowitz, and the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) agree that this Consent Order resolves all of the issues between the parties. The parties jointly stipulate to the following facts, conclusions of law, and order:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On January 17, 2001, the staff of the Commission issued a Statement of Findings, recommending to the Commission that there was probable cause to believe that the Respondent violated Section(s) 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes.
2. The facts set forth in the Statement of Findings, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, are deemed admitted as true
3. On February 13, 2001, the Commission entered an Order of Probable Cause finding there was probable cause to believe that the Respondent violated Section(s) 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes.
4. On February 16, 2001, the Respondent was served by certified mail with a copy of the Order of Probable Cause.
5. The Respondent requested a hearing before the Commission within 30 days of receiving the Order of Probable Cause.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

6. The Commission has jurisdiction over the parties to and subject matter of this

cause, pursuant to Section 106.26, Florida Statutes.

7. The Commission staff and the Respondent stipulate to the facts set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 29 of the Statement of Findings and to the ability of the Commission to impose a civil penalty in accordance with Section 106.265, Florida Statutes.

## **ORDER**

8. The Respondent and the staff of the Commission have entered into this Consent Order voluntarily and upon advice of counsel.

9. The Respondent and the staff of the Commission agree that this Consent Order and the terms contained herein shall not constitute an admission against interest or acknowledgement of guilt as to any criminal charge that might arise from the allegations that form the basis of the complaint filed on June 5, 2000.

10. The Respondent shall bear his own attorney fees and costs that are in anyway associated with this case.

11. The Respondent understands that before the Consent Order is final agency action, the Commission must approve it at a public meeting.

12. After it is approved by the Commission, this Consent Order constitutes final agency action on the violations charged in the Order of Probable Cause.

13. The Respondent voluntarily waives the right to any further proceedings under Chapters 106 and 120, Florida Statutes, and the right to appeal the Consent Order.

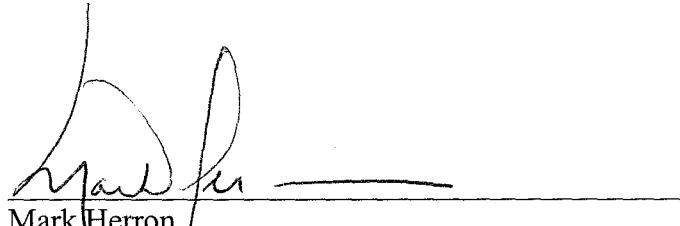
14. This Consent Order is enforceable under Sections 106.265 and 120.69, Florida Statutes. The Respondent expressly waives any venue privileges and agrees that if enforcement of this Consent Order is necessary, venue shall be in Leon County, Florida.

15. The Respondent shall remit to the Commission a civil penalty in the amount of \$2000 for violating Section(s) 106.19(1)(a), Florida Statutes. The civil penalty shall be paid to

the Florida Elections Commission, Room 2002, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-1050, as a condition precedent to the Commission's execution of this Consent Order.

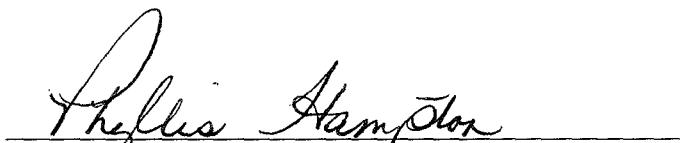
The **Respondent** hereby agrees and consents to the terms of this Consent Order on

May 3, 2001.

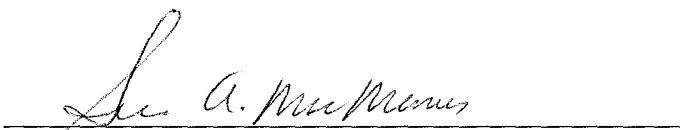
  
Mark Herron  
P. O. Box 1701  
Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1701

The **Commission staff** hereby agrees and consents to the terms of this Consent Order on

May 4, 2001.

  
Phyllis Hampton  
General Counsel  
Florida Elections Commission  
Room 2002, The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050

Approved by the Florida Elections Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting held on May 9 & 10 at Orlando, Florida and filed with the Clerk of the Commission on May 22, 2001, in Tallahassee, Florida.

  
Susan A. MacManus, Chairman  
Florida Elections Commission  
Room 2002, The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050

Copies furnished to:

Phyllis Hampton, General Counsel  
Norman Abramowitz, Respondent  
Mark Herron, Attorney for Respondent  
Joseph Schreiber, Complainant  
Broward County Supervisor of Elections, Filing Officer

Attachment: Statement of Findings

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION  
DEPOSIT REFERRAL SHEET

Date referred: 31/25/01

ttached please find a \$ 2,000 <sup>00</sup> check for deposit under the indicated object code

Multiple Code Breakdown Attached

**FINE PAID**

FOR DEPOSIT IN THE ELECTIONS COMMISSION TRUST FUND

OBJECT CODE    DESCRIPTION

010001  
MARK HERRON, P.A. 01-15-98  
Trust Account  
216 S Monroe St, Suite 200 A  
Tallahassee, Fl 32301

0189

63-778/631

DATE 3 May 2001

PAY  
TO THE  
ORDER OF Florida Elections Commission    \$ 2000.00  
Two thousand    00/100    DOLLARS Security features  
included.  
Details on back.

**SUNTRUST**

SunTrust Bank, Tallahassee, N.A.  
Tallahassee, FL

FOR Check No. 00-145

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FLORIDA COUNTY & CITY ELECTIONS COMMISSION

FOR DEPOSIT IN THE STATE GENERAL REVENUE FUND

012035    VIOLATION FINE BY FEC(GEN REVENUE)

012040    FEC SETTLEMENT(GENERAL REVENUE)

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Norman Abramowitz