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In Re: Florida Residents for Responsible **Development**

Case No.: FEC 15-103

F.O. No.: FOFEC 15-147u)

CONSENT FINAL ORDER

Respondent, Florida Residents for Responsible Development, and the Florida Elections Commission (Commission) agree that this Consent Order resolves all of the issues between the parties in this case. The parties jointly stipulate to the following facts, conclusions of law, and order

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On January 16, 2015, a complaint was filed with the Commission alleging that Respondent violated Chapter 106, Florida Statutes.
- 2. Respondent expressed a desire to enter into negotiations directed toward reaching a consent agreement.
 - 3. Respondent and the staff stipulate to the following facts:
 - a. Respondent is a political committee currently registered with the Department of State, Division of Elections, and Alexander Podrizki is listed as the committee's registered agent and chairman. Albert Podrizki is listed as Respondent's treasurer.
 - b. During the 2014 election cycle, Respondent failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that no report would be filed because the committee had not received funds, made contributions, or expended reportable funds during the 2014 P1 Report, 2014 P6 Report, 2014 G4 Report, 2014 D2 Report, 2014 D3 Report, and the 2014 G7

Report.

C. On June 28, 2014, Albert Podrizki filed a waiver-of-report for the 2014 P1 Report, on August 21, 2014, Albert Podrizki filed a waiver-of-report for the 2014 P6 Report, on October 11, 2014, Albert Podrizki filed a waiver-of-report for the 2014 G4 Report, on October 27, 2014, Albert Podrizki filed a waiver-of-report for the 2014 D2 Report; on October 28, 2014, Albert Podrizki filed a waiver-of-report for the 2014 D3 Report, and on November 1, 2014, Albert Podrizki filed a waiver-of-report for the 2014 G7 Report.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 4. The Commission has jurisdiction over the parties to and subject matter of this cause, pursuant to Section 106.26, Florida Statutes.
- 5. Section 106.25(4)(i)3, Florida Statutes, allows the Commission to approve a consent agreement with a Respondent prior to the Commission finding probable cause that a violation of the election laws occurred. The consent agreement has the same force and effect as a consent agreement reached after the Commission finds probable cause.

ORDER

- 6 The Respondent and the staff of the Commission have entered into this Consent Order voluntarily and upon advice of counsel.
- 7. The parties shall each bear its own attorney's fees and costs that are in any way associated with this case.
 - 8. The Commission will consider the Consent Order at its next available meeting.
- 9. The Respondent voluntarily waives the right to any further proceedings under Chapters 104, 106, and 120, Florida Statutes, and the right to appeal the Consent Order.
- This Consent Order is enforceable under Sections 106.265 and 120.69, Florida Statutes. Respondent expressly waives any venue privileges and agrees that if enforcement of this Consent Order is necessary, venue shall be in Leon County, Florida, and Respondent shall be responsible for all fees and costs associated with enforcement.

11. If the Commission does not receive the signed Consent Order and payment of

the civil penalty by the close of business on May 1, 2015, the staff withdraws this offer of

settlement and will proceed with the case.

12 Payment of the civil penalty by cashier's check, money order, and good for at

least 120 days, or attorney trust account check is a condition precedent to the Commission's

consideration of the Consent Order.

PENALTY

WHEREFORE, based upon the foregoing facts and conclusions of law, the Commission

finds that the Respondent has violated the following provision of Chapter 106, Florida Statutes,

and imposes the following fine:

Respondent has violated Section 106.07(7), Florida Statutes, when Albert A.

Podrizki, acting as treasurer for Florida Residents for Responsible Development, a

political committee, failed to notify the filing officer on the prescribed reporting date that

no report would be filed for the 2014 P1 Report, 2014 P6 Report, 2014 G4 Report, 2014

D2 Report, 2014 D3 Report, and the 2014 G7 Report. Respondent is fined \$300.00 for

the violations.

Therefore it is

ORDERED that the Respondent shall remit to the Commission a civil penalty in the

amount of \$300.00, inclusive of fees and costs. The civil penalty shall be paid by cashier's

check, money order, good for at least 120 days, or attorney trust account check. The civil penalty

should be made payable to the Florida Elections Commission and sent to 107 West Gaines

Street, Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-1050.

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	Alexander Podrizki, Chair
	FL Residents for Responsible Development
	525 West 37 Street
	Miami Beach, FL 33140
Commission staff hereby agrees and cor	sents to the terms of this Consent Order on
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, 2015.	Α .
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Approved by the Florida Elections Comm	ission at its regularly scheduled meeting held
on May 20 -21, 2015 in Tallahassee, Florida.	
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Copies furnished to:
Jaakan A. Williams, Assistant General Counsel
Alexander Podrizki, Respondent, as Chairman/Registered Agent
Division of Elections, Complainant

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Date 04/22/2015 Pay to the order of Florida Election (Umission 1 \$ 300.90

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