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IN RE : Judie S. Budnick

Case No.: FEC 98-332 W
F.O No.: DOSFEC 98-205-A
REPORT DUE DATE: 9/25/98

FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE came on to be heard by the Florida Elections Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting held on December 2 and 3, 1998, in Miami, Florida.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Commission is charged with enforcing Chapter 106, Florida Statutes, the campaign financing law.
2. The Respondent's campaign treasurer's report was not filed with the filing officer on the designated due date.
3. The filing officer fined the Respondent for the late filing of the campaign treasurer's report. The Respondent timely appealed, claiming as unusual circumstances that Respondent failed to timely file the report because of Hurricane Georges.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

4. The Commission has jurisdiction over the parties to and subject matter of this case, pursuant to Section 106.04 or 106.07, Florida Statutes.
5. The Respondent's claim of unusual circumstances, as defined in Rule 1D-1.005, Florida Administrative Code, justifies Respondent's failure to timely file the report.

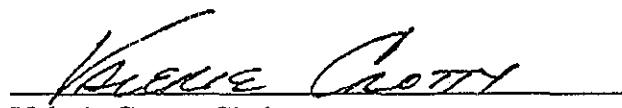
ORDER

Based on the foregoing facts and conclusions of law, the Commission finds that the Respondent's unusual circumstances justifies Respondent's failure to file the report on the

designated due date. Therefore, it is

ORDERED that the assessed fine is waived in full.

DONE AND ENTERED by the Florida Elections Commission and filed with the Clerk of the Commission on December 11, 1998, in Tallahassee, Florida.



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