

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of a Referral by the SEEC Audit and Disclosure Unit File No. 2021-024

STIPULATED SETTLEMENT OF A NON-FILER MATTER

Pursuant to the Commission's general authorization to settle supplemental non-filer matters, Respondent hereby enters into this Stipulated Settlement of a Non-Filer Matter.

Respondent Abraham Kouassi, as treasurer of Helene Kouassi For State Rep 2020, failed to file a/an itemized Supplemental Campaign Finance Statement(s) for the above-referenced committee with the SEEC, which was/were due on 10/22/2020, 10/29/2020, as required by General Statutes § 9-712.

Respondent has now filed the delinquent Supplemental Campaign Finance Statement(s), and has agreed to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$ 350.00 in monthly installments of not less than \$100.00 in settlement of this matter. Each monthly installment of \$100.00 shall be received by the first of the month. Failure to make a timely payment of a monthly installment shall render the entirety of the remaining balance due and owing immediately.

Respondent admits to all jurisdictional facts and agrees that this Agreement shall have the same force and effect as a final decision of the Commission.

Respondent waives: (1) Any further procedural steps; (2) The requirement that the Commission's decision contain a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated; and (3) All rights to seek judicial review or otherwise to challenge or to contest the validity of the Stipulated Settlement.

This notice and settlement offer is strictly limited to the issue of timeliness for the above captioned late filings under General Statutes § 9-712. It does not extend to any information required in such a filing or the accuracy of such information, and shall not resolve any other potential violations with that section of the statute or any other statute within the Commission's jurisdiction.

Upon the Respondent's agreement to comply with this Stipulated Settlement, the Commission shall not initiate any further proceedings against the Respondent regarding this matter.

For the Respondent

By: Abraham Kouassi
Abraham Kouassi

Dated: 04/07/2021

For the State Elections Enforcement Commission:

By: Michael J. Brandi
Michael J. Brandi
Executive Director and General Counsel and
Authorized Representative of the
State Elections Enforcement Commission

Dated: 4/13/2021