

In the Matter of

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Unknown Respondents)	MURs 8017 and 8023	
STATEMENT OF REASONS OF COMMISSIONERS ALLEN J. DICKERSON, DARA LINDENBAUM AND JAMES E. "TREY" TRAINOR, III			
The Complaints in these ma	atters allege that U	Jnknown Respondents violated 52 U.S.C. §§	
-	•	s advocacy without disclaimers and by failing	
to report the activity to the Commi	ssion. Such alleg	ged violations require the Commission to	
analyze, inter alia, whether the ma	ilers contain expre	ess advocacy. ² The mailers attached to the	
MUR 8017 Complaint were difficu	alt to analyze becar	ause the mailers appeared to be missing	
pages and it was not clear which pa	ages constituted th	ne fronts and backs of each mailer. ³ Given	
the demands of a busy enforcemen	t docket, our scarc	ce enforcement resources are better devoted	
to Complaints that clearly present t	the facts and violat	ations. We therefore voted to dismiss these	

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matters pursuant to the Commission's prosecutorial discretion.⁴

MUR 8017 Compl. (June 16, 2022); MUR 8023 Compl. (July 8, 2022).

² See 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

³ See MUR 8017 Compl., Exs. 1-5.

⁴ See Heckler v. Chaney, 470 U.S. 821 (1985); Certification ¶ 2 (Mar. 29, 2024).