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Denice C. Skinner
606 Lee Ave.
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Via email & US mail

Re: Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee Facebook account

Dear Mrs. Skinner:

Please be advised that my office has been retained by the Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee, with regard to the above referenced matter. The RPEC has outlined the following information and authorized the extension of the following proposals to you:

Beginning in or about July, 2019, as a member of the Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee, you volunteered to manage the Committee's Facebook account. It was understood by the Executive Board of the RPEC that you volunteered to manage these activities in order to promote the RPEC's political views, enlist volunteers for political campaigns, raise money for the RPEC, and acquire a large electronic media following for ongoing RPEC proprietary use.

Over the course of managing these projects, you reported expenses that were reimbursed to you from RPEC funds totaling more than \$35,000.00. The RPEC can find no evidence of receipts supporting those reimbursements. The only documentation discovered are cancelled checks signed by you and made payable directly to you. The RPEC has no backup data as to the exact purpose of each reimbursement that you paid directly to yourself.

The RPEC has also found that the Facebook account promoted private enterprises in which you and your associates enjoyed ownership. The RPEC has seen no other private enterprises which were promoted on the RPEC's social media platforms.

RPEC Chairman, Tim Breaux, has previously requested that all management and content, including more than 6,500 followers of the Facebook account, be transferred to the Executive Board of the Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee. This intellectual property belongs to the Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee. It is understood that you have rejected Mr. Breaux's prior request. The RPEC has record that you have removed the RPEC's brand and changed the headers on one or more

occasion for that certain Facebook page to convert RPEC property to your personal and financial enjoyment and concealed the rightful ownership of that property.

The Executive Board of the Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee extends the following settlement offers to you, which will remain open until 5:00 p.m. Monday, August 22, 2022, at which point the offers will automatically be rescinded:

1.) Immediately transfer all management, content, and followers (approximately 6,500) of the RPEC Facebook account and website to the Executive Committee of the RPEC,

OR

2.) Return \$35,000.00 that you received as reimbursements from the RPEC without providing documentation for those expenses. (If option 2 is chosen, the RPEC is open to a repayment schedule of up to 12 months, on mutually agreeable terms to be confirmed at a later date).

The RPEC has indicated its willingness to utilize all legal means to recover its property, if settlement cannot be reached.

Sincerely,

George Armbruster III

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cc: RPEC Chairman, Tim Breaux (via email only)