



STATE OF MICHIGAN
RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
LANSING

February 29, 2016

Nicole James
Committee to Elect Nicole James
P.O. Box 7514
Detroit, Michigan 48207

Dear Ms. James:

The Department of State (Department) received a formal complaint filed by Robert LaBrant against you, alleging that you violated section 47(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.247(1), by failing to include a complete and correct identification statement on certain campaign material. A copy of the complaint is provided as an enclosure with this letter.

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A copy of your reply will be provided to Mr. LaBrant, who will have an opportunity to submit a rebuttal statement to the Department. After reviewing all of the statements and materials provided by the parties, the Department will determine whether "there may be reason to believe

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that a violation of [the MCFA] has occurred [.]” MCL 169.215(10). Note that the Department’s enforcement powers include the possibility of entering a conciliation agreement, conducting an administrative hearing, or referring this matter to the Attorney General for enforcement of the criminal penalty provided in section 47(6) of the Act.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, you may contact me at (517) 241-0395.

Sincerely,


Lori A. Bourbonais
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

c: Robert LaBrant

Campaign Finance Complaint Form

Michigan Department of State

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This complaint form may be used to file a complaint alleging that someone violated the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (the MCFA, 1976 PA 388, as amended; MCL 169.201 *et seq.*). All information on the form must be provided along with an original signature and evidence. **Please print or type all information.**

I allege that the MCFA was violated as follows:

Section 1. Complainant		
Your Name	Robert LaBrant	Daytime Telephone Number 517-267-9028
Mailing Address	106 W Allegan St, Suite 200	
City	State	Zip
Lansing	MI	48933

Section 2. Alleged Violator		
Name	Committee to Elect Nicole James	
Mailing Address	P.O. Box 7514	
City	State	Zip
Detroit	MI	48207

Section 3. Alleged Violations (Use additional sheet if more space is needed.)

Section(s) of the MCFA violated: **Sec. 47(1) MCL 169.247(1)**

Explain how those sections were violated:

The two-sided printed card does not contain an identification as required by the Act as to the person who paid for the printed card and their address.

(Paid for by.....) is not provided.

Evidence that supports those allegations (attach copies of pertinent documents and other information):

See attached copy of the two-sided card without the required identification.

Section 4. Certification (Required)

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, formed after a reasonable inquiry under the circumstances, each factual contention of this complaint is supported by evidence.

X Robert Lee Brant February 17, 2016
Signature of Complainant Date

Section 5. Certification without Evidence (Supplemental to Section 4)

Section 15(6) of the MCFA (MCL 169.215) requires that the signed certification found in section 4 of this form be included in every complaint. However, if, after a reasonable inquiry under the circumstances, you are unable to certify that certain factual contentions are supported by evidence, you may also make the following certification:

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information, or belief, there are grounds to conclude that the following specifically identified factual contentions are likely to be supported by evidence after a reasonable opportunity for further inquiry. Those specific contentions are:

X _____
Signature of Complainant Date

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Mail or deliver the completed complaint form with an original signature and evidence to the following address:

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430 West Allegan Street
Lansing, Michigan 48918

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March 14, 2016

Nicole James
Committee to Elect Nicole James
P.O. Box 7514
Detroit, Michigan 48207

Dear Ms. James:

The Department of State (Department) received a second formal complaint filed by Robert LaBrant against you, alleging that you violated section 47(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.247(1), by failing to include a complete and correct identification statement on certain campaign material. A copy of the complaint is provided as an enclosure with this letter.

The Department first notes that this is a second complaint alleging a violation of the same section of law as the first complaint. However, this complaint is regarding a different piece of campaign literature. The Department will consider the two complaints together. If you have not already sent an answer to the first complaint, please send only one answer in response to both complaints. Your deadline to respond has been extended to 15 business days from the date of this letter.

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Sincerely,



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Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

c: Robert LaBrant

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Section 3. Alleged Violations (Use additional sheet if more space is needed.)

Section(s) of the MCFA violated:
Section 47(1) MCL 169. 247 (1)

Explain how those sections were violated:

This is a second print piece from this committee. It is different from the piece I filed a complaint against on February 17, 2016. This print piece adds Branch County to the 1st Court of Appeals District. This piece, like the first piece, does not contain an identification as required by the Act as to the person who paid for the printed card and their address (paid for by.... is not provided).

Evidence that supports those allegations (attach copies of pertinent documents and other information):

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Section 4. Certification (Required)

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, formed after a reasonable inquiry under the circumstances, each factual contention of this complaint is supported by evidence.

X

Robert L. Brant
Signature of Complainant

March 3, 2016

Date

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Date

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March 31, 2016

Robert LaBrant
106 West Allegan Street
Suite 200
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Mr. LaBrant:

The Department of State received a response to the complaints you filed against the Committee to Elect Nicole James, which concern an alleged violation of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA), 1976 P.A. 388, MCL 169.201 *et seq.* A copy of the response is provided as an enclosure with this letter.

If you elect to file a rebuttal statement, you are required to send it within 10 business days of the date of this letter to the Bureau of Elections, Richard H. Austin Building, 1st Floor, 430 West Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan 48918.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori A. Bourbonais".

Lori A. Bourbonais
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

c: Nicole James

March 21, 2016

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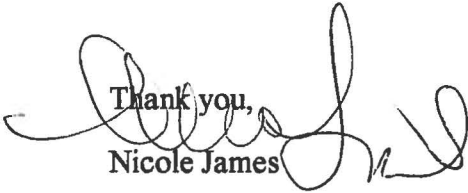
To Whom It May Concern:

This is in response to a complaint filed by Robert LaBrant alleging that campaign finance laws were violated by Nicole James.

As to each allegation, I deny each allegation and present documentation to the Bureau of Elections that campaign literature contains the proper information i.e. proper counties and that the literature also indicates who paid for the literature. (See enclosure). The attached literature was purchased in January 2016 and February 2016. This literature includes all proper information.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,
Nicole James





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March 14, 2016

Nicole James
Committee to Elect Nicole James
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Sincerely,



Lori A. Bourbonais
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

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April 14, 2016

Nicole James
Committee to Elect Nicole James
P.O. Box 7514
Detroit, Michigan 48207

Dear Ms. James:

This letter concerns the complaint that was recently filed against you, which relates to a purported violation of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA or Act), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201 *et seq.* The Department of State has received a rebuttal statement from the complainant, a copy of which is enclosed with this letter.

Section 15(10) of the MCFA, MCL 169.215(10), requires the Department to determine within 45 business days from the receipt of the rebuttal statement whether there is a reason to believe that a violation of the Act has occurred. Mr. LaBrant's complaint remains under investigation at this time. At the conclusion of the review, all parties will receive written notice of the outcome of the complaint.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori A. Bourbonais".

Lori A. Bourbonais
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

c: Robert LaBrant

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April 7, 2016

Lori A. Bourbonis
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State
Richard H. Austin Building-1st Floor
430 W. Allegan St.
Lansing, MI 48918

Dear Ms. Bourbonais:

My rebuttal statement to the response you received from Nicole James on March 21, 2016, to my two complaints against her candidate committee for its failure to include a complete and correct identification statement on her campaign literature is simply this-- third time is a charm. She finally got it right!

Too bad she can't be intellectually honest enough with the Department to admit, rather than deny, that her first two campaign pieces did not contain a paid-for-by statement.

By brashly denying any and all violations of MCL 169.247 (1), in the face of the copies of the palm cards I submitted with my complaints, Ms. James displays such conceit to the Department that a finding of "there may be reason to believe a violation of the MCFA has occurred" is more than warranted.

Sincerely,



Robert S. LaBrant
106 W. Allegan St.
Suite 200
Lansing, MI 48933



STATE OF MICHIGAN
RUTH JOHNSON, SECRETARY OF STATE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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April 27, 2016

Nicole James
Committee to Elect Nicole James
P.O. Box 7514
Detroit, Michigan 48207

Dear Ms. James:

The Department of State (Department) has completed its investigation of the 2 complaints filed against you by Robert LaBrant, which alleged that you violated section 47(1) of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA or Act), 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.247(1), by failing to include a complete and correct identification statement on certain campaign-related material. This letter concerns the disposition of Mr. LaBrant's complaints.

The MCFA and corresponding administrative rules require a person who produces printed material that relates to an election to include the phrase "Paid for by [name and address of the person who paid for the item]." MCL 169.247(1), R 169.36(2). A knowing violation constitutes a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.00, imprisonment for up to 93 days, or both. MCL 169.247(6).

The Act also requires the Department to "endeavor to correct the violation or prevent a further violation by using informal methods [,]" if it finds that "there may be reason to believe that a violation ... has occurred [.]" MCL 169.215(10). The objective of an informal resolution is "to correct the violation or prevent a further violation [.]" Id.

Mr. LaBrant filed his complaints on February 29 and March 8, 2016. You filed a written response on March 28, 2016, and Mr. LaBrant filed a rebuttal statement on April 13, 2016.

Mr. LaBrant alleged that you failed to include a paid-for-by statement on certain campaign material. In support of his complaint, Mr. LaBrant provided copies of 2 palm cards which stated, "Vote for Nicole James Michigan Court of Appeals, District 1, on Tuesday August 2 [.]" It appeared that neither palm card contained a paid-for-by statement.

In your response you denied that your material did not contain a proper paid-for-by statement. As evidence, you provided a palm card which did contain a complete and correct paid-for-by statement. The Department notes that the palm card you provided is different from both examples provided by Mr. LaBrant.

While the Department believes that the evidence tends to show that some of your campaign material failed to contain a paid-for-by statement, section 15(10) of the MCFA requires the

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Department to “endeavor to correct the violation or prevent a further violation by using informal methods such as a conference, conciliation, or persuasion [.]”

The Department is advising you that section 47(1) and R 169.36(2) require you to print a complete and accurate identification statement on all campaign materials, consisting of the phrase “paid for by” followed by the full name and address of your committee. Note that all printed materials that refer to an election or your candidacy produced in the future must include this identification statement.

Additionally, please be advised that this notice has served to remind you of your obligation under the Act to identify your printed matter, and may be used in future proceedings as evidence that tends to establish a knowing violation of the Act. A knowing violation is a misdemeanor offense and may merit referral to the Attorney General for enforcement action. MCL 169.247(6), 215(10).

The Department now considers this matter closed and will take no further action against you at this time.

Sincerely,



Lori A. Bourbonais
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

c: Robert LaBrant