



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

June 6, 2018

Thomas Mitchell
40171 William Drive
Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

The Department of State (Department) acknowledges receipt of the complaint you filed against Michael Taylor, alleging that he violated section 47 of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA or Act), 1976 PA 388, 169.247. This letter concerns the disposition of your complaint.

The MCFA and corresponding administrative rules require a person who produces printed material that relates to an election include the phrase "'Paid for by' followed by the full name of the person or committee paying for the material and the person's or committee's street number or post office box, city or town, state, and zip code." 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).

In your complaint, you allege that the paid for by statement is incorrect because it is an old sign containing an old address. In support of your complaint, you included two signs. However, the evidence submitted does not show activity that could give rise to a violation of the MCFA. The law requires that the address be correct at the time of purchase and that the paid for by statement contain the phrase "paid for by" followed by the committee paying for the sign and the committee's address. Upon reviewing the signs, the address is located on the sign in compliance with the law.

Because the evidence does not support a reason to believe that a potential violation of the MCFA has occurred, your complaint is dismissed. The Department's file in this matter has been closed and no further enforcement action will be taken.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Adam L.S. Eracassi".

Adam L.S. Eracassi
Bureau of Elections
Michigan Department of State

Campaign Finance Complaint Form Michigan Department of State

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.

RECEIVED/FILED
 MICHIGAN DEPT OF STATE
 2017 OCT 18 PM 2:47
 ELECTIONS/GREAT LAKES

I allege that the MCFA was violated as follows:

Section 1. Complainant		
Your Name THOMAS MITCHELL	Daytime Telephone Number 586 264 0186	
Mailing Address 40171 WILLIAM DR.		
City STERLING HEIGHTS	State MI.	Zip 48313

Section 2. Alleged Violator		
Name MICHAEL C. TAYLOR		
Mailing Address 14076 RED PINE DR.		
City STERLING HEIGHTS	State MI.	Zip 48313

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

Section(s) of the MCFA violated:

SEC 47 OF THE MCFA

Explain how those sections were violated:

**THE PAID FOR COMMITTEE ADDRESS IS
INCORRECT - OLD SIGN**

PHOTO TAKEN AT 44400 VAN DYKE AVE.

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

SEE ATTACHED

**PHOTOS OF SIGN - ONE OF MANY IN STERLING HEIGHTS, MI.
WITH KENSINGTON AVE. ADDRESS. SEE ATTACHED FLYER
WITH CURRENT ADDRESS AND RECORD OF RED PINE DR.**

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 Thomas Mitchell 10-6-17
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

Section 15(8) of the MCFA provides that a person who files a complaint with a false certification is responsible for a civil violation of the MCFA. The person may be required to pay a civil fine of up to \$1,000.00 and some or all of the expenses incurred by the Michigan Department of State and the alleged violator as a direct result of the filing of the complaint.

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

Michigan Department of State
Bureau of Elections
Richard H. Austin Building – 1st Floor
430 West Allegan Street
Lansing, Michigan 48918

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SIGN DISPLAY
No. 1 LOCAL 591
SAWICKI & SON (313) 962-7725

PAID FOR BY THE CTE MICHAEL C. TAYLOR, 35651 KENSINGTON AVE., STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48312

10.04.2017

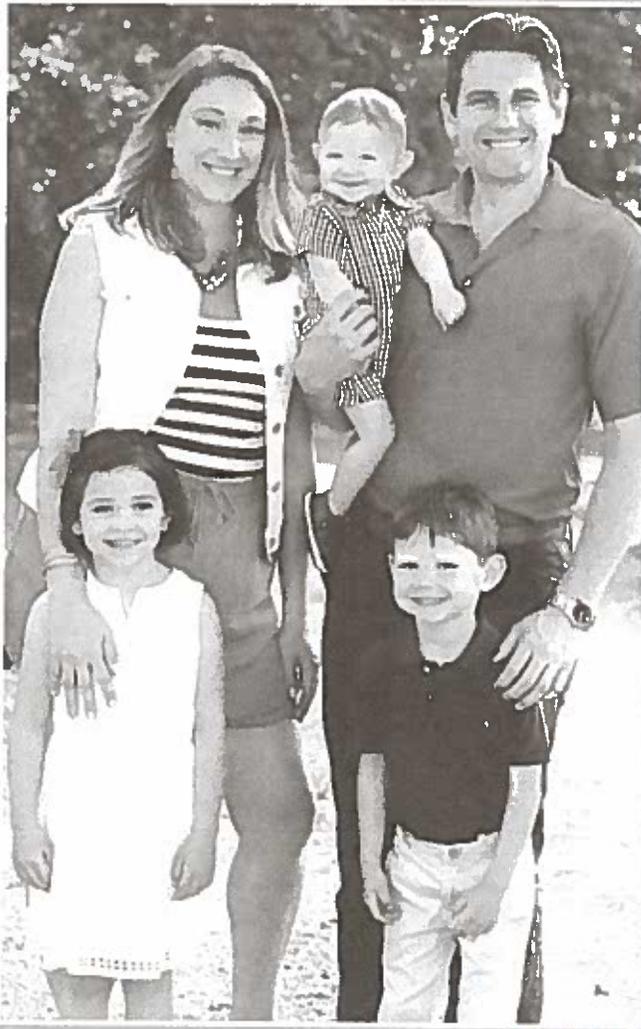
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PILOT
PROPERTY GROUP

MICHAEL C.
TAYLOR
MAYOR

10.04.2017

MAYOR TAYLOR'S RECORD SPEAKS FOR ITSELF!



UNPRECEDENTED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Billions of dollars invested in local economy, including \$2.4 billion by FCA for production of new 2018 Dodge Ram 1500 Truck at SHAP; and development of Sunnybrook into world-class manufacturing and technology park
- 3.7% Unemployment Rate; below State and Federal average
- Less than 2% industrial vacancy rate
- Development of new restaurants, shopping centers, hotels
- Creation of the Sterling Innovation District and Lakeside Redevelopment Plan ; Implementing 2030 Vision Statement

COMMITMENT TO FIXING OUR ROADWAYS

- Complete reconstruction of M-59 in 2017 and 2018
- Successful reconstruction of Van Dyke and Dodge Park Rd.
- Millions of dollars in local road funding for 2017
- Founding member of InnovateMound.org, to obtain \$217 million to completely reconstruct Mound in Sterling Heights
- Helped develop and create SafeStreets proposal, investing millions of dollars in our local neighborhood roads
- Commitment to fixing every pothole within 24 hours of notice

PROVIDING GOOD, HONEST GOVERNMENT

- Among lowest tax, water rates in State of Michigan
- Holding Macomb County accountable for mistakes leading to the 15 Mile Sinkhole collapse; Not backing down, fighting increased water and sewer rates; demanding refunds for water and sewer services we paid for and didn't receive
- Council meeting reforms making meetings more accessible and providing more opportunities for resident input

KEEPING US THE SAFEST BIG CITY IN MICHIGAN

- Hiring over 50 new police officers and firefighters last 2 years
- Implemented Firefighter ALS Transport services that will save the taxpayers \$3 million over 10 years and improve services
- Fire Department rated top FD in State of Michigan by ISO
- Ranked among the top 100 Safest Cities in United States

NEIGHBORHOODS, PARKS, AND COMMUNITY

- Close to 40% increase in residential property values
- Enhanced code enforcement efforts under SHINE program
- 3rd year of incredibly successful Dodge Park Farmer's Market
- Implementing Recreating Recreation plan, including splash pad, ice skating rink, dog park, new amphitheater, new bike and hike trails, and 120,000 square foot recreation center
- \$4.5 million Clinton River grant, plus canoe/kayak landings
- Hope not Handcuffs initiative to combat opiate epidemic
- Part of the 900+ mile Iron Belle Trail through Michigan
- Innovative new public art program

ON NOVEMBER 7, VOTE TO RE-ELECT MAYOR
MICHAEL C. TAYLOR!

Paid for by:
CTE Michael C. Taylor
14076 Red Pine Dr.
Sterling Heights, MI 48313

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