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 <u>Michigan Campaign Finance Act</u> (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 DANIEL DETKOWSKI		Daytime Telephone Number		
Mailing Address 64200 Miller RD				
LUASHINGTON TWP.	State	^{Zip} 48095		
Section 2. Alleged Violator				
DAVID ROBERTSON				
Mailing Address 57341 SUFFIELD DR.				
WASHINGTON TWP.	State M	^{Zip} 48094		
Section 3. Alleged Violations (Use additional sheet if more space is needed.)				
Section(s) of the MCFA violated:				
Explain how those sections were violated:				
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2) Door HANGERS				
3) POST CARDS				

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

3 ATTACHMENTS

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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 exidence.

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Signature of Complainant

6-30-2018 Date

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

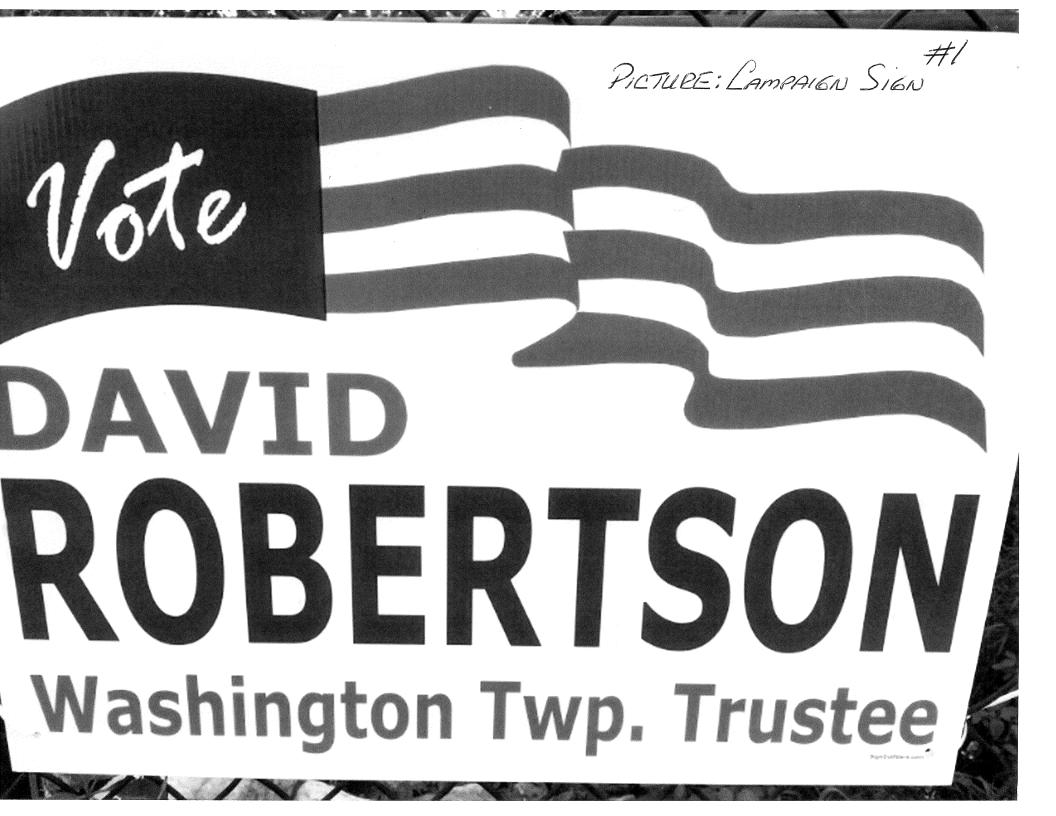
<u>Section 15(6) of the MCFA</u> (MCL 169.215) requires that the signed certification found in section 4 of this form be included in every complaint. However, if, after a reasonable inquiry under the circumstances, you are unable to certify that certain factual contentions are supported by evidence,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

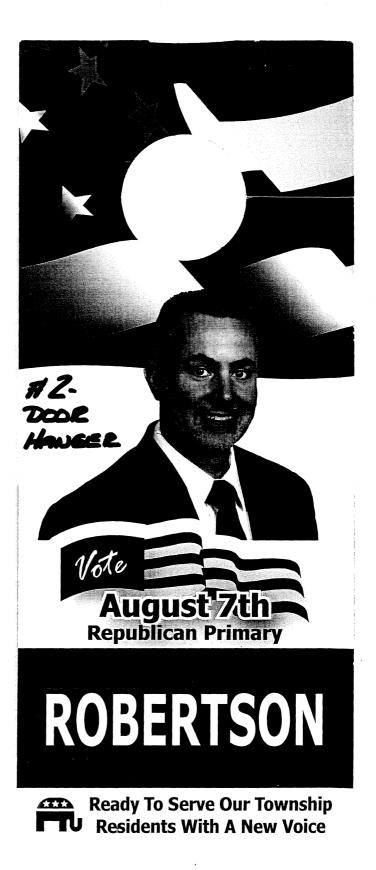
I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information, or belief, there are grounds to conclude that the following specifically identified factual contentions are likely to be supported by evidence after a reasonable opportunity for further inquiry. Those specific contentions are:

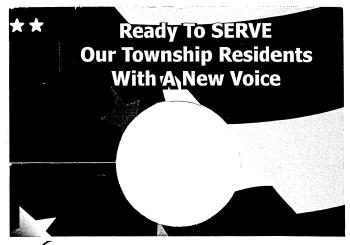
Section 15(8) of the MCFA provides that a person who files a complaint with a false certification is responsible for a civil violation of the MCFA. The person may be required to pay a civil fine of up to \$1,000.00 and some or all of the expenses incurred by the Michigan Department of State and the alleged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







- ✓ I have <u>Served</u> our community as an educator at Romeo High School for the past 19 years.
- ✓ I have <u>Served</u> our country as a soldier in the U.S. Army. Operation Restore Hope Somalia, 1993
- My wife Heather (of 24 years) and I have raised our four children in this exceptional township and now I want to give back by <u>Serving</u> our residents in the community that I love.

Why I want to Serve:

• To support our Senior Citizens and be a voice for all residents

- To build better relationships with Romeo and Bruce Township to benefit all three communities
- To conserve faithfulness to our master plan and
- maintain balance between rural & urban development
 To encourage relationships between our schools
- and local government
- To empower our Fire, EMS, and Sheriff's Office with the tools they need to care for our township
- To nurture beautification of our community

Contact me

- Email: Davidrobertson4trustee@gmail.com
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DAVID P. ROBERTSON Washington Twp. Trustee 1136 x 640



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

July 12, 2018

David Robertson 57341 Suffield Drive Washington Township, Michigan 48094

Re: Detkowski v. Robertson Campaign Finance Complaint No. 2018-07-030-47

Dear Mr. Robertson:

The Department of State (Department) has received a formal complaint alleging you have violated MCL 169.247 of the Michigan Campaign Finance Act (MCFA) by failing to include a complete and correct identification statement on certain campaign-related materials.

The MCFA and corresponding administrative rules require a person who produces printed material that relates to an election 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*.

There are three pieces of campaign materials that have been provided which appear to violate MCL 169.247. The first is campaign yard signs that read "Vote DAVID ROBERTSON Washington Twp. Trustee." The second is a door hanger with the same phrase on the front and information related to you and your candidacy on the back. The third is a post card that appears to have been mailed to voters. In support of the complaint, copies of the materials were provided, and have been enclosed with this communication.

Upon review, it appears that the paid for by statement is omitted entirely from these campaign materials in violation of MCL 169.247. Given this, the Department is hereby advising you that MCL 169.247(1) and R 169.36(2) require you to print a complete and accurate identification

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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 <u>must include this identification statement</u>. For all materials currently in circulation that refer to your candidacy, the paid for by statement must be corrected/included. If this information has been included on your website or campaign flyers, please provide this office evidence demonstrating the proper paid for by statements.

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 considers the instant action closed and resolved.

Sincerely,

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c: Daniel Detkowski