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RE: Criminal complaint against Lewis Oliver, III – Chairman of the Orange County Republican Executive Committee

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 17, 2009 and received on August 20, 2009 requesting that this complaint be sworn. I have added the suggested language to my complaint.

I am an elected member of the Orange County Republican Executive Committee and I have observed several potentially illegal activities – mostly concerning contributions and expenditures – that should be investigated.

Mr. Lewis Oliver, III is the Chairman of the Orange County Republican Executive committee and he is required as chairman to have all expenditures approved in advance by the full Executive Committee. I've attached several campaign reports that show expenditures NONE of which have been approved by the full committee. Chapter 103.121, 103.091 and 106 are all involved. Many of the funds that have been expended have gone into Mr. Oliver's pockets. Mr. Oliver has committed perjury on the expenditure campaign forms by listing payments to him as "office expense reimbursements" and numerous other payments with no backup receipts. Since his contested election last December, there has not been a meeting of the REC to approve any expenditure. This violates Florida law as well as party rules.

Further examination and questioning discovered a secret "Federal" account for the Executive Committee that has never been reported to the membership. It appears that Mr. Oliver was involved in laundering and mixing federal donations with state donations that allow corporate contributions. Mr. Oliver was a direct beneficiary to many of these funds. None of these expenditures from this Federal account have ever been approved by the Executive Committee. \$10,000 from the Orange County Republican Executive Committee (non-Federal account) was sent to the Hillsborough Executive Committee (federal account). The next day a check came from the Hillsborough Executive Committee and was deposited into the Orange County REC Federal Account. This is clearly "laundering" money and violative of many campaign laws both federally and locally. Mr. Oliver wrote himself a check for \$3,000 the same day out of the Federal

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account for "yard signs." Interestingly, the local REC did not produce any yards signs during the last election that would have been paid for and if so - still should have been approved by the full executive committee.

Mr. Oliver has clearly violated 103.091 on several occasions by not producing an annual audit and filing it with the local Supervisor of Elections. After checking today, there is no audit on file as required by Florida Statute.

Mr. Oliver has also been coordinating Federal campaign contributions with Orange County Mayor Rich Crotty and may very well be involved in the "culture of corruption" a recent local grand jury outlined.

For these reasons, I request a full and thorough investigation into the illegal activities of Mr. Lewis B. Oliver, III.

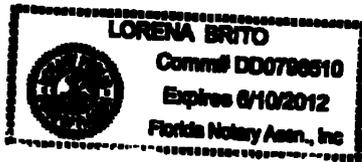
Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me on this 21st day of August, 2009.

Sincerely,



Keith V. Racine



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