

Office of the General Counsel  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20463

MUR # 5967

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Re: Complaint against David W. Robinson (OH-12)

Dear Sir / Maam:

I am writing to file a complaint for violation of Federal Campaign Law against David W. Robinson, a self-declared candidate for United States Representative from Ohio's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

As required under your complaint guidelines, I have enclosed examples of the violations.

My complaints are as follows:

1. Mr. Robinson, on his website, and in literature, calls himself a candidate for Congress, but has not filed the necessary paperwork with the FEC. While he may be under the \$5,000 spending point before he must declare, he does call himself a candidate, which, I believe, requires him to file as such.
2. Mr. Robinson's information is not legally labeled. His Biography and his position papers have a Robinson for Congress logo, but no disclaimer as required by the FEC regarding who paid for and authorized the information.
3. Mr. Robinson also has a website, www.robinson2008.com, that does not properly disclose, on every page of the site, who paid for and authorized the site as required by FEC guidelines.

I thank the Office of the General Counsel for looking in to this matter at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

*Corey Corbin*

Hon. Corey E. Corbin  
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Pickerington, OH 43147

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*Sworn to and subscribed in my presence by  
Corey Corbin this 16 day of Jan year 2008.  
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**Statement of Principles and Priorities:**

Public policy decisions, ideally, are grounded on guiding principles that clarify difficult choices and give direction and force to one's legislative initiatives. What follows are four statements that summarize my current thinking about the urgent needs for reform, redirection, and reinvigoration of our federal government today.

The first statement—Promoting Equal Opportunity for All—articulates a basic principle that I hold regarding the respective roles and responsibilities of the individual and our government. The second statement—Safeguarding Our Democracy—refers to the primary and essential need to restore the public's faith in the fairness, transparency, and even constitutional legitimacy of our own democratic processes. The third statement—Embracing Our Changing World—refers to the need for policy to more adequately take account of secondary consequences, downstream implications, and long-term impacts, whether this relates to trade, health care, environmental, or national security policy. The final statement—Reclaiming the Future—pertains to the basic disposition and vision that our elected officials bring to the practice of governance and the act of leadership: do we believe in endless and inevitable conflict for humanity, or are we willing to rededicate ourselves to a vision of a better, more humane future?

I am not suggesting that these statements of principle and priorities are comprehensive or adequate as presented, but it is hoped that they will give you, members of the Central and Executive Committees, an indication of who I am and what I will stand for if chosen by you and the voters to represent Ohio's 12th Congressional District.

- 1) **Promoting Equal Opportunity for All:** Central to the American Dream is the belief that each of us will have a fair chance in the race of life; that through our efforts and aspirations, supported by an environment conducive to learning and a healthy mind and body, we may realize our god-given potential; and that it is our collective responsibility to ensure that our individual dreams are unimpeded by bigotry, institutional obstructions, and an unnecessary poverty of resources. Though in this life there are no guarantees of outcome, and no rewards deserved that are unearned, it is our duty to always endeavor to create a world where personal freedom and the common good reinforce one another.
- 2) **Safeguarding our Democracy:** Our government was founded to ensure our basic rights, receiving its just powers from the consent of the governed, founded upon a constitution and operating by the rule of law, and, ideally, periodically remade through free and fair elections by an informed electorate. These ideals are now at risk, and it is an urgent necessity that future Congresses work to ensure the integrity of our democratic processes. It is critical that our faith in the fairness and transparency of our system be restored, that a balance of power

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between governmental branches by reasserted, that the free-flow of information so essential to democratic debate be protected, and that the policies of our government are responsive—not to the inordinate influence of special-interests—but to the judgments and needs of the general public.

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- 3) **Embracing Our Changing World:** In a world of rapid change and globalization, good government policy is based on a recognition of both the threats and opportunities presented by an interconnected, interrelated world. Yesterday's policies, based on old assumptions about a simpler world that is no more, too often fail to serve our nation's current and future interests. What is now required for effective public policy—regarding issues of national security, promotion of next-generation industries and jobs, international trade, environmental perils, health and wellness, science and basic research, etc.—is a firm and consistent recognition of the complex forces shaping our world. Our long-term prosperity depends upon it. Simply stated, we must be smarter, more aware, and more understanding of how today's decisions will impact tomorrow's world.
  
  - 4) **Reclaiming the Future:** Belief in a brighter future is at the heart of the American experience. It is our lifeblood, informing our dreams, plans, and projects, both large and small. This faith has historically inspired us to work hard and to be willing to sacrifice present gain for future reward. Yet this expectation of a better tomorrow has been shaken in recent years, precipitated by talk of endless war and our seeming inability to tackle the large problems before us. This must stop. Our government, through its words and deeds, needs to rededicate itself—and, by extension, we the people as well—to the firm belief that through our efforts we can leave the world a better place than we found it, that the frontiers of civilization can be expanded, that humanity's common enemies—war, disease, hunger, and ignorance—can be progressively overcome through shared effort based upon common cause. This principle is grounded upon the core belief that all of humanity shares both a planetary home and a common identity as children of God, and that it is our task to make more just, free, and prosperous our life in this world.

- David Robinson

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## **CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHY:**

Local businessman, David W. Robinson, Ph.D, filed on January 4, 2008 for candidacy in the Democratic primary election, to be held on March 4, 2008 for Ohio's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional seat.

**EARLY YEARS** - Born 11/21/61 on Long Island, New York, David moved to Columbus with his parents and two older siblings in late 1962. Growing up in Upper Arlington, he attended Covenant Presbyterian Church and was confirmed at age 13. During high school (UA, Class of '80), David worked as a busboy at a nearby restaurant and as a department manager at the local hardware store, while also participating in wrestling and lacrosse.

**COLLEGE** - Robinson graduated Cum Laude from The Ohio State University in 1984 with a bachelors degree in Honors Accounting after working as an Accounting Intern for both Lancaster Colony and Deloitte Haskins & Sells and as a Marketing Intern for the City of Columbus. During college he earned income for college expenses by running a small handyman business, applying skills learned in the hardware store. Robinson joined the Sigma Chi Fraternity as a freshman and was elected chapter president for his senior year.

**ADULT YEARS** - Following graduation from OSU, Robinson worked for Columbus-based Management Horizons (later a division of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP), serving as Research Analyst and Assistant to the President. In 1988, following the death of his mother at age 60 from Alzheimer's disease, David conceived, organized, and undertook the "Ride for Reason," a cross-country bicycle fundraising and public awareness campaign to battle the disease. The Ride, from Miami to Seattle (total of 4,700 miles), was coordinated with local ADRDA chapters in 25 cities, and resulted in over 125 media events (TV, radio, and print). Following the Ride, Robinson earned a Master's Degree in Theological Studies from The Chicago Theological Seminary ('91). Upon graduation, Robinson accepted the invitation from fellow seminarians (three Taiwanese Presbyterian ministers) to spend a year living in Taiwan, teaching English within Presbyterian Church Communities. Following this overseas experience, Robinson pursued doctoral studies in Theology and Psychology at Emory University in Atlanta, earning his Ph.D. in 2002. His dissertation, *Conscience and Jung's Moral Vision*, explored the sources of ethical behavior in a world of moral relativism and religious fundamentalism, and was subsequently published by Paulist Press (2005).

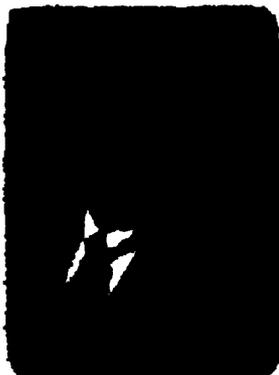
**RECENT HISTORY** - Concurrent with his doctoral studies (beginning in 1994, while still in Atlanta), Robinson began working for Marcy Enterprises, Inc., a small, Columbus-based manufacturing company specializing in adhesive tape technologies for industrial and commercial applications. His current role as Vice President is focused on business development and client relations, entailing significant travel across North America, Mexico, and Europe. Robinson belongs to the Jung Association of Central Ohio and is a member of First Community Church.

Robinson returned to public advocacy in January of 2007 as a Presenter for Vice President Al Gore's Climate Project initiative. Following training in Nashville, he began delivering public, *pro bono* presentations on the related issues of the science of climate change, energy independence, technological and policy solutions, and, centrally, the challenge these issues present to the human spirit. During 2007, Robinson delivered presentations to a diverse mix of organizations and forums in Ohio, including the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Sustainability Summit, Mayor Coleman's Green Team, public signing event of the Central Ohio Green Pact (with over twelve central Ohio mayors and city managers in attendance), General Electric Aviation group, not-for-profit organizations, the Cincinnati Zoo, and classes at OSU, Otterbein, and Methesco. This engagement with the public has kindled a fire in David Robinson to devote his life to public policy matters and to act as a catalyst and leader for progressive change in our community, state, and nation.

**DECLARATORY STATEMENT:**

"Our campaign is rooted in the conviction that when our nation is divided, we are all diminished—but when united around good and worthy goals, we are ennobled and unstoppable. We Americans, as a self-governing people, are at our best when our individual efforts unite around our shared aspirations. This campaign declares that it is our time—now—to embrace our common future. If not us, who? If not now, when? These are the ideals and energy we bring to this campaign to represent Ohio's 12th Congressional District. Join us!"

- David Robinson



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