

VT SUPERIOR COURT  
STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT  
Washington Unit

CIVIL DIVISION  
Docket No. 759-10-10 Wncv

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STATE OF VERMONT,

Plaintiff

v.

REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS  
ASSOCIATION,

Defendant

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**STIPULATED JUDGMENT ORDER**

By and through their undersigned counsel, Plaintiff State of Vermont (the "State") and Defendant Republican Governors Association (the "RGA") hereby stipulate and agree that the Court enter the following Judgment Order in the above-captioned matter:

WHEREAS, the State brought this enforcement action against the RGA alleging violations of Vermont's campaign finance laws; and

WHEREAS, the Court ruled that the RGA violated 17 V.S.A. § 2831 by failing to register as a political committee, violated 17 V.S.A. § 2811 by failing to file campaign finance reports, and violated 17 V.S.A. § 2805(a) by accepting contributions in excess of the \$2,000 limit for political committees; and

WHEREAS, both parties now agree to forego an appeal of the Court's determinations to date in this action; and

WHEREAS, at all times material hereto, the RGA attempted in good faith to comply with Vermont's campaign finance laws and now wishes to resolve this matter without further litigation; and

WHEREFORE, as agreed by the State and the RGA, the Court hereby orders that judgment in this action shall be entered as follows:

1. The Court hereby enters judgment in favor of the State against the RGA with respect to the claims set forth in Counts I and II of the Complaint for violations of 17 V.S.A. §§ 2831, 2811, and 2805(a).

2. The Court hereby assesses a civil penalty against the RGA to be paid to the State within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Stipulated Judgment Order in the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) with respect to the claims set forth in Counts I and II of the Complaint.

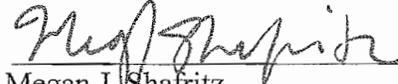
3. The Court further orders that the RGA shall bring itself into compliance with Vermont's campaign finance laws within thirty (30) days of the date herein by filing the required reports with the Secretary of State's office for the 2009-2010 general election cycle. Such reports shall list the RGA's 2010 Vermont expenditures that were admitted in Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories, dated January 5, 2011, and the Vermont contributions it received from Rodolphe Vallee and Richard Tarrant.

Dated in Montpelier, Vermont this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2015.

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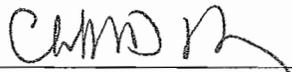
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SO ORDERED:

Dated in Montpelier, Vermont this 23 day of March 2015.

  
Hon. Helen M. Toor  
Superior Court Judge

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