

Via Electronic Mail

July 21, 2020

Dennis Brommer, Chair
D. Michael Crites, Vice Chair
Otto Beatty, Member
Catherine Cunningham, Member
Natasha Kaufman, Member
A. Scott Norman, Member
Charleta Tavares, Member

Re: Ohio Elections Commission Referral

Dear Chair Brommer and Members of the Ohio Elections Commission:

Earlier today the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, David DeVillers, publicly unveiled an 82-page Criminal Complaint alleging a criminal conspiracy to participate, directly or indirectly, in the conduct of an enterprise's affairs through a pattern of racketeering activity. Among the many disturbing allegations contained in the Complaint are apparent or alleged violations of Ohio's campaign finance laws.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3517.153 and 3517.11, I am referring the attached complaint of apparent or alleged violations of Ohio laws to you. This likely does not constitute a comprehensive list of apparent or alleged violations of Ohio laws, as certain relevant facts are redacted in the publicly released Criminal Complaint. I will refer additional apparent or alleged violations of Ohio laws to the Ohio Elections Commission as they become known.

For those of us who answer the call to public service with a sincere desire to be good stewards of the public trust, today is deeply disappointing. Sadly, today's Criminal Complaint serves as a reminder that some enter public life seeking to accumulate power and enrich themselves. My elections and campaign finance teams and I are available to answer any questions you may have about this complaint. I look forward to working together with you to further the cause of transparency and ensure that justice is done.

Yours in service,

Frank LaRose Ohio Secretary of State

cc: Philip Richter, Executive Director

David DeVillers, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio

Chris Hoffman, FBI, Special Agent in Charge

Ron O'Brien, Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney

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REFERRAL TO THE OHIO ELECTIONS COMMISSION

FROM:

Secretary of State Frank LaRose

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Columbus, Ohio 43215

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614-728-6855

NAME OF INDIVIDUAL:

Representative Larry Householder

3825 Twp. Rd. 19 Glenford, OH 43739

"Representative 3"

Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio),

fn 32.

NAME OF ENTITY:

Friends of Larry Householder

207 N Market St. Somerset, Ohio 43783

Campaign Committee of "Representative 3"

Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry

Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio),

fn 32.

Ohio House Republican Caucus/House Republican Campaign

Committee

4679 Winterset Drive Columbus, OH 43220

"PAC"

Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry

Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio),

paragraph 93.

NAME OF TREASURER:

Gary A. Wills, Treasurer of Friends of Larry Householder 207 N. Market St. Somerset, Ohio 43783

Treasurer, Campaign Committee of "Representative 3" Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), fn 32.

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Treasurer, "PAC"
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fn 32.

THE ABOVE NAMED PERSONS OR ENTITIES ARE BEING REFERRED TO THE COMMISSION PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 3517.153 AND 3517.11 BECAUSE OF THE FOLLOWING APPARENT OR ALLEGED VIOLATION(S) OF THE LAW.

Individual - Representative Larry Householder:

- (1) During the course of any campaign in advocacy of or in opposition to the adoption of any proposition or issue submitted to the voters shall knowingly and with intent to affect the outcome of such campaign promise, offer, or give any valuable thing or valuable benefit to any person who is employed by or is an agent of a committee in advocacy of or in opposition to the adoption of any ballot proposition or issue, for the purpose of influencing the employee or agent with respect to the improper discharge of the employee's or agent's campaign duties or to obtain information about the committee's campaign organization (R.C. 3517.22(A)(2)). See Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), paragraph 6.
- (2) No beneficiary of a campaign fund or other person shall convert for personal use, and no person shall knowingly give to a beneficiary of a campaign fund or any other person, for the beneficiary's or any other person's personal use, anything of value from the beneficiary's campaign fund,... (R.C.

3517.13(O)). See Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), paragraph 92.

Individual – "Representative 3" Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), fn 32.

(3) Acceptance of direct corporate contributions (R.C. 3599.03(B)(1)). See Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), fn 32.

As to Campaign Committee - Friends of Larry Householder:

- (4) During the course of any campaign in advocacy of or in opposition to the adoption of any proposition or issue submitted to the voters shall knowingly and with intent to affect the outcome of such campaign promise, offer, or give any valuable thing or valuable benefit to any person who is employed by or is an agent of a committee in advocacy of or in opposition to the adoption of any ballot proposition or issue, for the purpose of influencing the employee or agent with respect to the improper discharge of the employee's or agent's campaign duties or to obtain information about the committee's campaign organization (R.C. 3517.22(A)(2)). See Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), paragraph 6.
- (5) Acceptance of direct corporate contributions (R.C. 3599.03(B)(1)).
- (6) Failure to file complete and accurate statement (R.C. 3517.13(B)).
- (7) Failure to keep a strict account of all contributions, from whom received and the purpose for which they were disbursed (R.C. 3517.10(D)(2)).
- (8) Failure to deposit all monetary contributions received by the committee into an account separate from a personal or business account of the candidate or campaign committee (R.C. 3517.10(D)(3)(a)).

As to Campaign Committee – "Representative 3" Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), fn 32.

- (9) Acceptance of direct corporate contributions (R.C. 3599.03(B)(1)). See Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), fn 32.
- (10) Failure to file complete and accurate statement (R.C. 3517.13(B)).
- (11) Failure to keep a strict account of all contributions, from whom received and the purpose for which they were disbursed (R.C. 3517.10(D)(2)).
- (12) Failure to deposit all monetary contributions received by the committee into an account separate from a personal or business account of the candidate or campaign committee (R.C. 3517.10(D)(3)(a)).

As to "PAC" Pursuant to Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), paragraph 93.

- (13) Failure to file complete and accurate statement (R.C. 3517.13(B)). See Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), paragraph 93.
- .(14) Failure to keep a strict account of all contributions, from whom received and the purpose for which they were disbursed (R.C. 3517.10(D)(2)).
- (15) Failure to report all Ohio contributions made (R.C. 3517.101(C)).

As to the Ohio House Republican Caucus/House Republican Campaign Committee

- (16) Acceptance of direct corporate contributions (R.C. 3599.03(B)(1)) See Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio), fn 21.
- (17) Failure to file complete and accurate statement (R.C. 3517.13(B)).
- (18) Failure to keep a strict account of all contributions, from whom received and the purpose for which they were disbursed (R.C. 3517.10(D)(2)).
- (19) Failure to deposit all monetary contributions received by the committee into an account separate from a personal or business account of the candidate or campaign committee (R.C. 3517.10(D)(3)(a)).

INFORMATION REGARDING THE REFERRAL:

See Criminal Complaint United States of America v. Larry Householder, Case No. 1:20-MJ-00526, (July 17, 2020 S.D. Ohio).

THE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT, RELEVANT PAGES OF THE DESIGNATION OF TREASURER, CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER INFORMATION IS ATTACHED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE COMMISSION.

Yours in service,

Frank LaRose

Ohio Secretary of State

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Designation of Treasurer

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