



# OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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To whom it may concern:

Pursuant to SDCL 12-27-29.2 the South Dakota Secretary of State's office has manually terminated the committee. The committee signed for the certified Notice of Order & Violation mailing on December 01, 2018. Thirty days from signing was December 31, 2018. As of today, the committee has not filed the delinquent Pre-General campaign finance disclosure report.

**12-27-29.2. Order assessing penalty--Appeal--Termination of committee.** Any civil penalty imposed pursuant to § 12-27-29.1 shall be assessed against the violator by an order of the secretary of state. The order shall state the date and facts of each violation addressed under the penalty assessed and the citations to the provisions of each law alleged to be violated. The secretary of state shall serve the order and assessment by certified mail. The order shall contain a statement that the violator may appeal the order within thirty days after receipt of the order by filing a written request for a contested case hearing with the Office of Hearing Examiners. If no contested case hearing is requested within thirty days of receipt of the order, a civil penalty constitutes a judgment and may be executed by delivery of a true and correct copy certified by the secretary of state in the manner provided for the execution of money judgments provided in chapter 15-18.

An appeal from the Office of Hearing Examiners to circuit court may be taken by the parties to the appeal and intervenors before the Office of Hearing Examiners. The appeal shall be taken and conducted pursuant to the provisions of chapter 1-26. The venue of the appeal shall be in Hughes County.

Notwithstanding whether a committee pays the penalty, if a committee does not submit the delinquent report within thirty days after receipt of the order, the secretary of state may terminate that committee. If a committee is terminated, the secretary of state shall mail a termination letter to the last address on record for the treasurer.

Sincerely,

Christine Lehrkamp  
State Election Coordinator