



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

November 1, 2017

Kaisar Ahmed  
610 Golden West Drive  
Redlands, CA 92373

Re: ADR 827  
Kaisar Ahmed for US Congress and Kaisar Ahmed, Treasurer

Dear Kaisar Ahmed:

Enclosed is the signed copy of the Negotiated Settlement resolving the above-shown matter. The Negotiated Settlement was approved by the Commission on Monday, 10/30/2017 – the effective date of the agreement.

Note the specific time frames for compliance detailed in the agreement. Please forward to this office, a statement confirming Respondent's compliance with each term. The letter should note the dates on which Respondents satisfied each of the terms and contain the ADR case number. For your convenience, a compliance chart is attached.

As you are aware, the Negotiated Settlement will be made part of the record that is released to the public. The Commission will also place on the record copies of the complaint/referral, correspondence exchanged between your office and this office prior to our negotiations, and reports prepared for the Commission by this office to assist in its consideration of this matter. The Commission is obliged by Federal statute to place on the public record documents in closed enforcement and alternative dispute resolution cases; accordingly, copies of documents relative to this matter will be forwarded shortly to the FEC's Public Records Office.

This agreement resolves this matter. I appreciate your assistance in effectively resolving this matter and bringing the case to a mutually acceptable conclusion.

Sincerely,

*Krista J. Roche*

Krista J. Roche  
Acting Director  
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

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**Compliance Chart  
Negotiated Settlement**

## ADR 827 Compliance Chart

Type	Date Due
Meet with RAD staff	Wed 11/29/2017
File amended reports	Fri 12/29/2017



Federal Election Commission  
Washington, DC 20463

Case Number: ADR 827

Source: MUR 7203

Case Name: Kaiser Ahmed for US Congress 2016

### NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT

This matter was initiated by a signed, sworn and notarized complaint filed by Mark C. Edwards. Following review of the matter, and in an effort to promote compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, (FECA) and resolve this matter, the Federal Election Commission (Commission) entered into negotiations with Kaiser Ahmed representing Kaiser Ahmed for US Congress 2016 and himself, in his official capacity as Treasurer (the Committee or Respondents). It is understood that this agreement will have no precedential value relative to any other matters coming before the Commission.

Negotiations between the Commission and Respondents addressed the issues raised in this complaint. The parties agree to resolve the matter according to the following terms:

1. The Commission entered into this agreement as part of its responsibility for administering the FECA, and in an effort to promote compliance on the part of Respondents. The Commission's use of alternative dispute resolution procedures (ADR) is guided by "The Administrative Dispute Resolution Act of 1996," 5 U.S.C. § 572, and is an extension of 52 U.S.C. § 30109.
2. Respondents voluntarily enter into this agreement with the Commission.
3. On December 5, 2016, Mark C. Edwards filed a Complaint alleging that Respondents failed to file with the Commission a Statement of Candidacy and disclosure reports regarding Kaiser Ahmed, a 2016 candidate in the primary election for California's 31<sup>st</sup> Congressional District. A Statement of Organization was received on May 13, 2016.
4. Treasurers of political committees are required to report all financial activity, including all receipts, disbursements, and debts, pursuant to the FECA. 52 U.S.C. §§ 30104(b)(2), (4), and (8), 11 C.F.R. §§ 104.3(a), (b), and (d). No later than fifteen days after becoming a candidate, each candidate for Federal office shall designate a political committee to serve as the principal campaign committee of such candidate. 52 U.S.C. § 30102(e)(1), 11 C.F.R. § 101.1(a).
5. Respondents contend that disclosures were filed with the San Bernadino County Elections Office of the Registrar of Voters. On July 29, 2016, reports disclosing receipts totaling \$20,290.52 (\$18,440.52 in candidate loans and \$1,850 in unitemized

ADR 827 (MUR 7203)

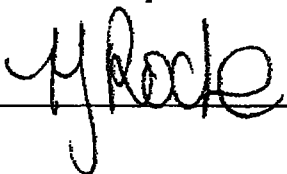
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monetary contributions) and \$20,290.52 in expenditures were filed with the county. Respondents contend that due to inexperience, reports were not also filed with the Commission.

6. Respondents, in an effort to resolve this matter, agree to: (a) participate in a one-on-one training regarding basic reporting requirements and procedures scheduled with the Information Division and/or Reports Analysis Division (RAD) within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this agreement; and (b) file reports disclosing all campaign activity for the 2016 election cycle within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this agreement and continue to file disclosure reports until such time as a termination report is approved.
7. Respondents agree that all information provided to resolve this matter is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and that they sign this agreement under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746.
8. This agreement shall become effective on the date signed by all parties and approved by the Commission. Respondents shall comply with the terms of this agreement as set out in paragraph 6 above, and shall certify compliance with the above settlement terms in writing to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Office on or before the date each term becomes due.
9. This Negotiated Settlement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on ADR 827 (MUR 7203), and resolves those issues identified in paragraph 3 above. No other statement, promise or agreement, either written or oral, made by either party, not included herein, shall be enforceable.

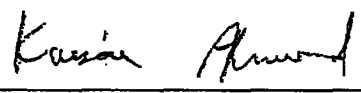
FOR THE COMMISSION:

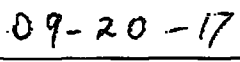
Krista J. Roche, Acting Director  
Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

  
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Date Signed

FOR THE RESPONDENTS:

  
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Kaisar Ahmed  
Representing Kaisar Ahmed for US Congress 2016  
and Kaisar Ahmed, Treasurer

  
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Date Signed