



Anthony D. Weiner
Member of Congress

April 17, 2000

Jeff S. Jordan
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket
Federal Election Commission
Washington, DC 20463

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Dear Mr. Jordan:

It is with some amusement that I respond to the complaint filed by a supporter of No. 1 Dear. (Reference : MUR 4995)

As you well know, Mr. Dear was recently found guilty of a litany of violations of the FEC regulations including accepting illegal contributions in excess of \$560,000; illegally spending general election funds in the primary; knowingly filing false reports, and; engaging in what appears to be a money laundering scheme using sequentially numbered money orders.

With this record I am bewildered that Mr. Dear would find it helpful to continue to discuss campaign law compliance - especially since Mr. Dear's case may be referred to the Justice Department for criminal prosecution.

Nonetheless, Friends of Weiner takes compliance with FEC regulations very seriously:

Allegation 1 - Friends of Weiner failed to repay its debt for office rent. False. Please note the Friends of Weiner's 1999 Year-End Report (DEC Identification #C00327742 - Schedule B, Page 8, Line 1) wherein we report the repayment of the outstanding debt to M&R Management.

Allegation 2 - The office rental was below fair market value. False. Because of the poor condition of the property and its lilliputian dimensions the site sat unrented for months before and months after its use by our campaign. In fact, the frequent problems with plumbing and electricity, led some campaign staff to complain that we were overcharged. We would be glad to provide photographic documentation or an affidavit from the owner of the location if the Commission would so desire.

Allegation 3 - Friends of Weiner accepted a corporate contribution of \$250. False. The contribution referenced by the complaint was refunded on April 17, 2000.

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Allegation 4 - Contributions made from Mr. Weiner's City Council campaign account in 1997 constituted a federally restricted expenditure. False. There was no connection to the contributions cited and Mr. Weiner's campaign for Congress. In fact, both of the candidates referenced in Mr. Dear's complaint *opposed* Mr. Weiner's candidacy.

As always, we stand ready to provide you with any information you require about this or any other matter

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER BELLITTI
Treasurer

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Enclosure



SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

Separate schedule(s)
for each category of the
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FOR LINE NUMBER 17

Operating Expenditures

Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be sold or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Friends of Weiner

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
M and R Management PO Box 867 Lynbrook, NY 11563	Campaign office rent Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) General 198	10/15/99	\$1200
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
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SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional)

\$1200

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only)

\$46,433

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Alejandro Rad
United Snacks Inc
20 East 2nd Street
New York, NY 10003

Dear Mr. Rad:

I am writing concerning your contribution to the *Friends of Weiner*.

While we appreciate your support for Congressman Weiner, please be aware that the Federal Election Commission prohibits corporate contributions. Therefore, I am returning your contribution of \$250.00.

However, the campaign will gladly accept a personal check or money order. Please feel free to return your revised contribution in the envelope provided.

If you have any questions, please call the *Friends of Weiner* at 718-998-2069.

Once again, thank you.

Sincerely,



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FRIENDS OF WEINER
2276 HOMECREST AVE, STGE 4A
BROOKLYN, NY 11229

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DATE Apr. 17, 2000

PAY TO THE ORDER OF UNITED SNACKS INC

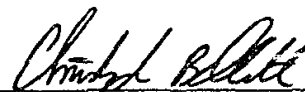
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