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**COURIER**

Ms. Alva E. Smith, Esquire  
Office of the General Counsel  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5546  
Mr. Ralph Brown

Dear Ms. Smith:

This requests an extension of time to respond to the Federal Election Commission's letter, on behalf of our client, Mr. Ralph Brown, informing him that a complaint has been filed against him in the above referenced matter. Mr. Brown received the materials on October 12, 2004, and the response is currently due October 27, 2004. A Statement of Designation of Counsel is attached.

We hereby request a twenty-day extension of time to respond, or until November 16, 2004. The twenty-day extension will permit us to review the 10-page Complaint and attached exhibits so that we may respond in an appropriate manner. Accordingly, we respectfully request a twenty-day extension of time to respond to the complaint.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Benjamin L. Ginsberg".

Benjamin L. Ginsberg  
William J. McGinley  
Glenn M. Willard

Attachment

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Statement of Designation of Counsel  
(Respondent/Witness)

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The above named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

10-22-04

Date

*Ralph R. Brown*

Signature

Name (Print): Ralph R. Brown

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Information is being sought as part of an investigation being conducted by the Federal Election Commission and the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) apply. This section prohibits making public any investigation conducted by the Federal Election Commission without the express written consent of the person under investigation.

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