



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Kai Kestutis Ablkis
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RE: MUR 5003

Dear Mr. Abelkis:

On April 24, 2000, the Federal Election Commission received your complaint alleging certain violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

After considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission has determined to exercise its prosecutorial discretion and to take no action against the respondents. See attached narrative. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on October 25, 2000. This matter will become part of the public record within 30 days.

The Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff S. Jordan", is written over a horizontal line.

Jeff S. Jordan
Supervisory Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket

Attachment
Narrative

MUR 5003
DENVER BRONCOS

Kai Abelkis alleged in his complaint that on March 9, 2000, the Denver Broncos hosted a pep rally for George W. Bush and presented him with a jersey with the number "1" on it. Abelkis stated that this event had about 500 Bush supporters and occurred outside the Denver Broncos training facility. Bush was also presented a Denver Broncos jacket. Abelkis noted that this should violate the Act's rule on candidate visits to corporate facilities, insofar as the Broncos seemed to expressly advocate the election of Bush. See also MUR 4986.

The Denver Broncos organization responded that it had no involvement with the rally held in the parking lot of the Denver Broncos' headquarters for George W. Bush. The rally was entirely organized, overseen and executed by the Bush campaign committee. The Broncos admitted that Mr. Bush was presented with a Broncos jersey, but stated such jerseys are regularly presented to celebrities and public figures as gestures of good will. Finally, it responded that at no point during the rally did the Broncos expressly advocate the Bush campaign.

Bush for President, Inc., responded that it reimbursed ShowTell Productions a total of \$15,920 for cost associated with the rally, and properly reported the reimbursement on its 2000 April Monthly Report.

This matter is less significant relative to other matters pending before the Commission.