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Mr. Erasmo Castro
7401 N. Lamar Boulevard, #148
Austin, Texas 78752-2343

FIRST CLASS MAIL

RE: Notice of Dismissal, SC-3160125 (Amber Medina)

Dear Mr. Castro:

We received sworn complaint SC-3160125 on January 29, 2016. This complaint does not comply with the legal requirements for a complaint filed with the Texas Ethics Commission (Commission).

The Commission must dismiss a complaint if it does not make an allegation that, if true, constitutes a violation of a law administered and enforced by the commission. Your complaint appears to allege that the respondent represented in a campaign communication that she held an elective public office that she did not hold at the time the representations were made, which is prohibited by section 255.006 of the Election Code. Specifically, the complaint alleges that the respondent violated the law by using the words "Re-Elect" on signs advertising her candidacy for chairwoman of the Cameron County Democratic Party. However, the respondent is the current the Cameron County Democratic Party Chair. Records on file with the Cameron County Elections Department indicate she was elected to that position in the 2014 primary election. Therefore, the complaint is dismissed, and no further action will be taken.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the above address.

Sincerely,

James Tinley
Assistant General Counsel

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SWORN COMPLAINT BEFORE THE TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION

An individual must be a resident of the state of Texas to be eligible to file a sworn complaint with the Texas Ethics Commission. The complainant is required to attach to the complaint a copy of one of the following documents:

- complainant's driver's license or personal identification certificate issued under Chapter 521 of the Transportation Code, or commercial driver's license issued under Chapter 522 of the Transportation Code; or
- a utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the complainant and is dated not more than 30 days before the date on which the complaint is filed.

An individual may also be eligible to file a sworn complaint with the Texas Ethics Commission if the individual owns real property in the state of Texas. Under this provision, the complainant will be required to attach to the complaint a copy of a property tax bill, notice of appraised value, or other government document that shows the name of the complainant, shows the address of the real property in Texas, and identifies the complainant as the owner of the real property.

Please completely fill out this form. Failure to complete this form properly will cause your complaint to be noncompliant and rejected.

OFFICE USE ONLY
Docket Number 5C-3160125
Date Hand-delivered or Date Postmarked HAND DELIVERED RECEIVED JAN 29 2016
Texas Ethics Commission

I. IDENTITY OF COMPLAINANT # 23373

1 COMPLAINANT NAME <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	MS / MRS / MR FIRST ERASMO LAST CASTRO	MI SUFFIX	
2 COMPLAINANT PHYSICAL ADDRESS <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	ADDRESS APT / SUITE # CITY STATE ZIP CODE 1216 E MADISON "D" BROWNSVILLE TX 77820 <small>(Full home or business address, including street, city, state, and zip code)</small>		
3 COMPLAINANT MAILING ADDRESS <small>(REQUIRED)</small> <input type="checkbox"/> (Check if same as above)	ADDRESS APT / SUITE # CITY STATE ZIP CODE 7401 N Lamar2 Blvd #148 Austin TX 78752 <small>(Full street or mailing address, including city, state, and zip code)</small>		
4 COMPLAINANT TELEPHONE NUMBER <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	AREA CODE PHONE NUMBER EXT 956-572-1899	5 COMPLAINANT E-MAIL ADDRESS <small>(REQUIRED IF KNOWN)</small>	lomasobacteria@yahoo.com

II. IDENTITY OF RESPONDENT

6 RESPONDENT NAME <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	MS / MRS / MR FIRST AMBER LAST MEDINA	MI SUFFIX	
7 RESPONDENT POSITION OR TITLE <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	Cameron County Democratic Party Chair		
8 RESPONDENT PHYSICAL ADDRESS <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	ADDRESS APT / SUITE # CITY STATE ZIP CODE [Faded]		
9 RESPONDENT MAILING ADDRESS <small>(REQUIRED)</small> <input type="checkbox"/> (Check if same as above)	ADDRESS APT / SUITE # CITY STATE ZIP CODE [Faded]		
10 RESPONDENT TELEPHONE NUMBER <small>(REQUIRED)</small>	AREA CODE PHONE NUMBER EXT [Faded]	11 RESPONDENT E-MAIL ADDRESS <small>(REQUIRED IF KNOWN)</small>	[Faded]

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III. NATURE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION

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Include the specific law(s) or rule(s) alleged to have been violated. The Texas Ethics Commission has jurisdiction to enforce only the following laws: (1) Title 15 of the Election Code; (2) Chapters 302, 303, 305, 572, 2004 of the Gov't Code; (3) § 334.025 and § 335.055 of the Local Gov't Code; (4) Subchapter C, Chapter 159 of the Local Gov't Code, in connection with a county judicial officer who elects to file a financial statement with the commission; (5) § 2152.064 and § 2155.003 of the Gov't Code; (6) § 306.005 of the Gov't Code.

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Candidate is declaring that she is running for "RE-ELECTION" to seat. CAMERON County Democratic Party Chair.

Candidate is misrepresenting on advertisement and political signs as she ~~to~~ has never been Elected to the position

Her signs read RE-ELECT
She was never ELECTED.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NEEDED

VI. AFFIDAVIT

BASED ON PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE

(Execute this affidavit if the acts alleged are within your direct personal knowledge.)

Please completely fill out this form. Failure to complete this form properly will cause your complaint to be noncompliant and rejected.

I, ERASMO CASTRO, complainant, swear that I am a resident of the state of Texas. I swear that I have knowledge of the facts alleged in this complaint and that the information contained in this complaint is true and correct.

[Signature]
Signature of Complainant

AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said ERASMO CASTRO, this the 29 day of

January, 20 16, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

Signature of officer administering oath

Printed name of officer administering oath

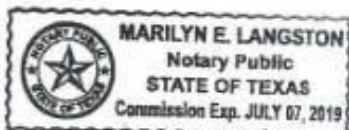
Title of officer administering oath

VII. AFFIDAVIT

BASED ON INFORMATION AND BELIEF

(Execute this affidavit if the acts alleged are not within your direct personal knowledge, but are based on reasonable belief.)

I, ERASMO CASTRO, complainant, swear that I am a resident of the state of Texas. I swear that I have reason to believe and do believe that the violation alleged in this complaint has occurred. The source of my information and belief is



Notary without Bond

[Signature]
Signature of Complainant

AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said ERASMO CASTRO JR., this the 29 day of

January, 20 16, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

Marilyn E. Langston Marilyn E. Langston Notary
Signature of officer administering oath Printed name of officer administering oath Title of officer administering oath