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Subject Proposed embezzlement policy

Mr. Joseph Stolz
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Dear Mr. Stolz:

In my opinion, the promulgation of the proposed policy as a requirement is unnecessary. I oppose all additional regulation. As a candidate from a small "third" party, I have become very sensitive to the magnitude of the problem we face in reporting requirements if we collect any substantial amount of contributions. The wealth of regulatory requirements serves mainly to prevent us from challenging the established "major parties" successfully, even though they certainly need to be challenged.

My recommendation would be to publish the proposed regulation in the form of a recommended practice, with each campaign free to follow it or not as they see fit. It seems to me that the candidate and his or her campaign manager are already disposed to prevent embezzlement for obvious reasons. The advice would be well-received by all who are successful in collecting any substantial amount of contributions.

I recommend against promulgation of the proposed policy as a binding requirement.

Sincerely,

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