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Re: Request to Expedite Election Complaint Regarding Friends of Chris Sununu Accepting Illegal Campaign Contributions (Updated Material)

November 2, 2018

To the Office of the Attorney General:

This is a follow-up communication from our election law complaint (Friends of Chris Sununu has accepted nearly \$20,000 in illegal campaign contributions) filed on November 1, 2018.

Chris Sununu's campaign manager, Paul Collins, called the donations "perfectly legal" in media interviews yesterday afternoon. The Sununu campaign also maintains that 'limited partnerships and limited liability partnerships are not the same as partnerships' despite NH RSA's that state otherwise. ([WMUR, 11/1/18](#))

RSA 664:4 prohibits campaign contributions from partnerships; RSA 304-A:6 specifically includes limited liability partnerships.

The Sununu campaign's statements raise three serious concerns –

1. The Friends of Chris Sununu campaign intends to spend these funds despite New Hampshire statutes clearly deeming them inappropriate.
2. The Friends of Chris Sununu campaign will continue to accept prohibited partnership contributions.
3. Other partnerships and unions restricted under RSA 664:4, and the candidate campaigns they may support, are at a disadvantage if they continue to follow the law as written while similar entities and the candidates they support unfairly benefit.

We urge your office to immediately review this election complaint and act before contributions made or omitted unduly influence the New Hampshire election.

Sincerely,

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