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Via electronic mail

California Citizens Redistricting Commission 721 Capitol Mall, Suite 260 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Response to Conflict of Interest Report

To the Members of the California Citizens Redistricting Commission:

Strumwasser & Woocher has reviewed the Commission's Conflict of Interest Report. We appreciate the clear effort that the Commission has expended in researching the backgrounds of respondents to the RFI to ensure that the results of the Commission's work will not be viewed as the product of political bias. In this brief letter, we wish to respond to the contributions listed on the Conflict of Interest Report.

Strumwasser & Woocher endeavored to provide thorough disclosures in its Responses to the Litigation Counsel and Voting Rights Act RFIs. The RFIs requested the disclosure of political contributions of \$2,000 or more from the individual attorneys identified as part of the proposal team, as well as any lobbying work the firm had performed or contributions to candidates from a firm political action committee. The firm disclosed all such contributions, as the Conflict of Interest Report reveals.

The Conflict of Interest Report includes a \$50,000 contribution from Strumwasser & Woocher in 2012 to a state ballot measure committee, Consumer Watchdog Campaign to Make Health Insurance Companies Justify Their Rates, A Committee of Consumer Advocates, in support of that committee's efforts to qualify a ballot measure that eventually appeared on the November 2014 ballot. The firm did not report this contribution in its responses to the RFI because it was not in support of any candidate, and the firm does not have a traditional political action committee. By virtue of this contribution in 2012, the firm was considered a "Major Donor Committee," but that status terminated automatically at the conclusion of 2012, and the firm has made no additional contributions qualifying it as a "Major Donor Committee" in any year sense. For this reason, the firm does not consider itself to have a "firm political action committee" as specified in the RFI.

All of the other contributions listed on the Conflict of Interest Report were less than the \$2,000 threshold in Government Code section 8252. While the Conflict of Interest Report does not include any contributions for Ms. Ordin, she wishes to disclose that she also has made

political contributions to individual federal, state, and local candidates, both in and outside of California, generally in amounts ranging from \$25 to \$250. In addition, as reflected in the records of the Federal Elections Commission, Ms. Ordin contributed a total of \$1,290 to Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign, \$555 to Pete Buttigieg's presidential campaign, and \$480 to Doug Jones' campaign for U.S. Senate.

We are happy to address any additional questions concerning the firm's and its attorneys' previous political contributions during our interviews with the Legal Affairs Committee.

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