



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 28, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC AND U.S. MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Michael ter Maat
700 Skipjack Road
Kinsale, VA 22488
Via email to matermaat@outlook.com
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Dear Mr. Michael ter Maat:

On April 13, 2023, and April 19, 2024, you were sent a letter requesting the completion and transmittal of a successive year financial disclosure report required by the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended, as a candidate for President. On May 18, 2023, you were sent a letter advising that the Commission had not received your 2023 successive year report. A copy of those letters is enclosed. On or about May 26, 2024, you were nominated to be the candidate for Vice-President for the Libertarian Party. The Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended, also requires a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Vice-President to file a personal financial disclosure report ("OGE Form 278e"). Candidates for Vice-President must file their OGE Form 278e with the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") within thirty days of becoming a candidate. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 13103(c).

As of the date of this letter, the Commission has not received your 2023 successive report or your 2024 report as a Vice-Presidential candidate.

Please forward the completed forms to the following address within ten days of the date of this letter:

Federal Election Commission
Office of the General Counsel
1050 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20463
Note: Ethics Act Report*

*If mailing your submission via USPS, please use zip code 20463. If sending via courier, FedEx, UPS, or another delivery service, please use zip code 20002.

Under section 13106(d) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 as amended, “[a]ny individual who files a report required to be filed under this title more than 30 days after [the due date] shall ... pay a filing fee of \$200.” The statute allows the Director of the Office of Government Ethics (an independent agency separate from the Federal Election Commission) the authority to waive the late filing fee in extraordinary circumstances. An example of an extraordinary circumstance would include the failure to file a timely report as a result of personal/family illness. If your report is filed more than 30 days after the due date, you should either submit a written waiver request with your completed report or include a \$200 late filing fee for deposit with the United States Treasury.

We are in receipt of your letter dated May 18, 2023, in which you indicate that you intend not to file a report, specifically stating: “On advice of conscience, I decline to file the successive year financial disclosure report.”

Please note that you may be referred to the Department of Justice for civil action under 5 U.S.C. § 13106(a) if you do not provide your public financial disclosure report. That statutory provision states that the United States Attorney General may bring a civil action against any individual who knowingly and willfully fails to report required information.

If you have any questions regarding the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended, or the filing requirements, please contact the U.S. Office of Government Ethics, Suite 750, 250 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024; telephone (202) 482-9300. For additional forms, please contact the Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission at the above address, telephone (202) 694-1650, or toll-free (800) 424-9530.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LJ Stevenson", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Lisa J. Stevenson
Acting General Counsel

Enclosures

FEC Letter to Michael ter Maat dated April 13, 2023
FEC Letter to Michael ter Maat dated May 18, 2023
FEC Letter to Michael ter Maat dated April 19, 2024
OGE Form 278e (including General Instructions and Summary of Contents)