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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

February 2, 2015

Tony Dane, Registered Agent & Chairman CRC PAC 1725 South Rainbow Street, Suite 16-53 Las Vegas, NV 89146

And

Tony Dane Dane & Associates, Inc. Post Office Box 1058 Front Royal, VA 22630

Re: Alleged Violation of Election Law

File C15-01 SOS

Dear Mr. Dane:

This office is in receipt of the above-captioned complaint, received January 28, 2015, wherein it is alleged you made contributions in the name of another, in violation of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 294A.112, from Dane & Associates to CRC PAC, a committee for political action registered with this office (hereinafter, "CRC"). The Secretary of State, as the Chief Elections Officer for the State of Nevada, is responsible for enforcement of the election laws contained in Title 24 of the NRS, of which NRS Chapter 294A is a part. A copy of the complaint is enclosed.

According to the Secretary of State's records, CRC reported \$240,000.00 in contributions from Dane & Associates in December of 2014, including a lump sum contribution of \$200,000.00 dated December 30, 2014. Based on comments attributed to you in an article that is the basis for the alleged violation, it appears all or part of the \$200,000.00 contribution was funded by "several clients" interested in pursuing recall efforts against legislators. However, the Contributions & Expenses (C&E) Report filed with this office only states that it was a contribution from Dane & Associates. The report does not disclose the names and addresses of the "several client" contributors.

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Based on the reported contributions to CRC and the statements made by you in the article referenced in the complaint, please respond to the complaint allegations in writing and explain why the name and addresses of your clients were not disclosed as contributors.

Furthermore, according to Secretary of State Commercial Recordings Division records, the only Dane & Associates entity (Dane & Associates, Inc., a Nevada corporation) on file has a status of "Permanently Revoked." Please include in your response to this office an explanation of why the revoked entity continues to do business under that status, or whether your company, Dane & Associates, is registered to do business under a different name.

Please submit your response to the Elections Division by no later than close of business on <u>Friday</u>, <u>February 13</u>, <u>2015</u>. If you fail to respond to this inquiry in a timely manner, the complaint file will be forwarded to the Office of the Attorney General for review and further enforcement. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE Secretary of State

By:

Scott F. Gilles, Esq.

Deputy Secretary of State for Elections

cc: Kevin Benson, Esq., Senior Deputy Attorney General