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Mr. Larry Leake, Chairman
Mr. Gary Bartlett, Executive Director
North Carolina State Board of Elections
506 N. Harrington Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Re: Complaint for apparent violations of N.C.G.S § 163-278.101

Dear Chairman Leake and Director Bartlett:

Please consider this notarized letter my formal request, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 163-278.22(7), for a formal investigation into the apparent violation of the above-referenced statute with regard to currently airing advertisements from an entity we believe is controlled by Bob Crumley, candidate for North Carolina Attorney General. (A copy of the advertisement is available at the website of the Greensboro News & Record at <http://blog.news-record.com/staff/capblog/> or on YouTube at the address <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2sWFNg8sLHo>).

As the above statute states, entities incurring expenses for candidate specific communications are required to disclose the expense of production and airing, the identification of the entity incurring the expense, the amount expended, the identity of the provider of funds, and additional information.

To date, no such disclosure has been made with the State Board of Elections.

The advertisement in question appears to have been airing on North Carolina television for some time, since Mr. Crumley filed as Republican candidate for Attorney General. The advertisement clearly identifies him by name and image. Similarly, the graphic tag on the advertisement reflects the website of his law office, www.crumleyandassociates.com, which also includes his name.

Without disclosure of who is paying for the advertisements and how much is being spent, voters will have no information regarding the sponsorship of this apparent effort to influence the 2008 election.

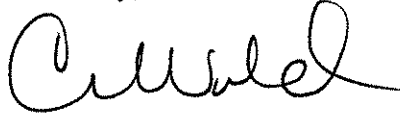
Clearly, the sponsoring entity is violating the law, and I ask that the Board investigate these advertisements and any other communications for which disclosure is required.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me with questions.

Sincerely,



Caroline C. Valand
Executive Director

NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

I, Melissa Price, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that Caroline C. Valand personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official stamp or seal this 7 day of July, 2008.

Melissa Price
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 7/25/2012

