

NEW MEXICO STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

Hon. William F. Lang, Chair Jeffrey L. Baker, Member Stuart M. Bluestone, Member Hon. Celia Castillo, Member Hon. Gary Clingman, Member Hon. Dr. Terry McMillan, Member Dr. Judy Villanueva, Member

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12 Authorizing a demand and civil action to enforce the Campaign Reporting Act.

WHEREAS, THE NEW MEXICO STATE ETHICS COMMISSION ("Commission") met virtually on August 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.;

WHEREAS, the Commission has the power to investigate violations and commence civil actions to enforce the Campaign Reporting Act.

WHEREAS, the Commission may be referred late fees assessed by the Secretary of State for collection and enforcement, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Sections 1-19-35(D) (2021), 1-19-34.6(A) (2021), and 10-16G-9(F) (2021).

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State has referred a \$5,000.00 late fee against Gabriel Duran for the Commission's collection and enforcement.

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined the fee is appropriate for collection pursuant to applicable statutory and constitutional law.

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has sought the approval of the Commission to initiate a civil action under NMSA 1978, Section 1-19-34.6(A) (2021) to enforce the Campaign Reporting Act, including to enforce late fees assessed by the Secretary of State, and has explained the proposed civil action and remedies to be sought;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the New Mexico State Ethics Commission:

- 1. The Commission's staff are authorized to demand that Gabriel Duran comply with the Campaign Reporting Act, to engage in settlement negotiations and mediation, to prepare and file civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction seeking to enforce the civil compliance provisions of the Campaign Reporting Act and any other relief that the court deems just and proper.
- 2. The Executive Director is instructed to provide regular updates on the status of the matter at the Commission's meetings during closed session.

 Commission staff shall communicate with the Chair as necessary between Commission meetings.
- 3. The Executive Director is authorized to enter an agreement to settle or dismiss claims brought against Gabriel Duran upon having conferred with the Chair or his designee.

Adopted by the New Mexico State Ethics Commission this 1st day of August 2025.

The Hon. William F. Lang

New Mexico State Ethics Commission

Chair