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**RE: Citizen Action Notices: Manka Dhingra (2) & (3)  
Notice of Results**

Dear Mr. Morgan and Ms. Dhingra:

I am writing to advise you that the Attorney General's Office has completed its review of the allegations contained in the citizen action notices filed by Mr. Morgan with the Attorney General's Office. In the notice, Mr. Morgan made numerous allegations concerning disclosure deficiencies by the Dhingra campaign and Ms. Dhingra. These notices were first filed with the state Public Disclosure Commission (PDC). At this time, the Attorney General's Office will not be taking any further action based on these allegations. We understand that the same allegations have been made to the Public Disclosure Commission. It will be up to the Commission to determine if it believes any action under its authority is warranted.

The AGO reviewed the notice and attachments, responses received from the campaign, and information from the PDC website. This review revealed that the majority of the allegations could not be substantiated or under the facts as alleged did not constitute violations of the law. Those included the alleged improper reporting of campaign debts and expenditures, inaccurate contribution reports, misidentification of reporting period, misstatement of expenditure dates, lack of sponsor identification, and late-filed candidate registration form. While it does appear that the campaign may have late reported a debt and there may be some issues with the candidate's F-1 statement, even if true, those issues alone do not warrant a superior court action.

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To the extent that any action is necessary, the AGO will leave your allegations to the discretion of the PDC to determine what action, if any, should be taken. As such, the Attorney General's Office is exercising its prosecutorial discretion and will not be filing a lawsuit at this time.

Please note that this view is limited to the specific facts in the citizen action notices and expresses no opinion as to the application of the law to any situations other than those alleged in the citizen action notices.

If you have further questions, please contact my office. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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