

# Item #3 – Misuse of Campaign Funds

**3. In the Matter of Joe Canciamilla for Contra Costa County Clerk/Recorder 2014/2018, Friends of Joe Canciamilla for Judge 2012/2014, and Joseph Canciamilla; FPPC No. 17/146.** Staff: Neal Bucknell, Senior Commission Counsel and Bob Perna, Program Specialist II. The Respondents were represented by the Law Office of Andreas Rockas and the Law Offices of Wayne Ordos. This matter arose from an audit performed by the Franchise Tax Board's Political Reform Audit Program. Joseph Canciamilla is the former Contra Costa County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters, as well as a former candidate for Contra Costa County Superior Court Judge. Joe Canciamilla for Contra Costa County Clerk/Recorder 2014/2018 and Joe Canciamilla for Judge 2012/2014 are his candidate-controlled committees. In 2011, 2014, and 2015, Canciamilla used campaign funds for personal purposes which were unrelated to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose, in violation of Government Code Sections 89510, subdivision (b), 89512, and 89513, subdivision (a) (15 counts). From 2011 through 2019, this activity was concealed on campaign statements by other reporting violations including non-reporting and the overstatement of available cash on hand, in violation of Government Code Section 84211 (14 counts). Also, in 2011 Canciamilla and his judge committee commingled campaign funds with personal funds, in violation of Government Code Section 84307 (1 count). **Total Proposed Penalty: \$150,000 – \$75,000 (Canciamilla personally) and \$75,000 (Canciamilla and his committees).**

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## Marilyn

2. As a taxpayer and voter, he has lost my trust. Our elected should be an example of abiding by the laws that govern us. His penalties should be paid from personal bank accounts. As a former emblymember, his illegal misuse of campaign funds sullied that body. He should be made an example of so that it sends a message to taxpayers and voters that our oversight bodies have integrity and believe in the rule of law.

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## AG

1. I am a Contra Costa resident and very disappointed by the actions of Joe Canciamilla. I would ask that the Commission penalize Mr. Canciamilla to the fullest and that the penalty be paid IN FULL with his personal monies and not from his committees.

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