

OFFICE OF GENERAL

September 5, 2017

Federal Election Commission Attn: Advisory Opinion Request Office 999 "E" Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463

Reference:

Repair to existing security system on residence

Dear Sir:

I am a former member 1987-2013. During my term in office I had approval by House Committee to upgrade my security system and to pay for same with the use of campaign funds. I retired four years ago after serving 26 years in the House.

I remain a fairly high profile citizen in our community with occasional security concerns as evidenced by a couple of incidents in the last year that required police response in the middle of the night.

Our alarm system is now in need of repair. I called FEC and talked with Information Services to seek authorization to use campaign funds to make repairs. The gentleman that I spoke with was helpful but said there appears to be a gray area and suggested that I seek a formal response from your office. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at 805-501-5400.

Elton Gallegly

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## Joanna Waldstreicher

From: Janice Gallegly <janicegallegly@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 6:17 PM

**To:** Joanna Waldstreicher

**Subject:** Re: advisory opinion request

Joanna

The statement you have provided is accurate and I approve.

Thank you.

**Elton Gallegly** 

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 19, 2017, at 2:33 PM, Joanna Waldstreicher < <a href="JWaldstreicher@fec.gov">JWaldstreicher@fec.gov</a>> wrote:

Dear Mr. Gallegly:

Thank you for speaking with me this afternoon about your advisory opinion request. I have set out below my understanding of some of the information that you provided in that conversation. Please confirm the accuracy of these statements or correct them if they are not accurate as written.

- 1) On a few occasions in the past year, the alarm at your home was triggered in the middle of the night, indicating that a person had approached the house. The police were called on these occasions but were unable to determine who had approached your house. The person did not make any contact with you or leave any physical evidence.
- 2) The security system at your house includes three cameras and a recording device that are not functioning properly, that the security company has recommended repairing, or replacing equipment that cannot be repaired. You are not proposing to add any new equipment. The suggested repairs and replacement will cost approximately \$2800-3500.

We would appreciate your response by email. Your response may be considered part of your advisory opinion request; if so, it will be posted as such on the Commission's website.

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