



## Pinal County School Office

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Ms. Sanor,

I would like to provide you an update regarding your complaint filed on behalf of the Pinal County Democratic Party concerning campaign contributions made to school board candidates in Pinal County by the Pinal County Republican Committee.

After a review of your complaint and an examination of the pertinent statutes, it was my determination that the contributions made were not appropriate. Nominees, as that term is defined in ARS 16-901, should not include candidates for school boards since such positions are non-partisan. Thus, when considered in conjunction with the constraints of ARS 16-915(B) limiting contributions to partisan elections as applied to political contribution limitations, it was my assessment that the Pinal County Republican Committee did not comply with this limitation when making those contributions. Upon notice of the complaint, the Pinal County Republican Committee took corrective measures to rectify the improper contributions and requested candidates remit the contribution. It is my understanding the process of returning the funds is either completed or underway.

As such, now that the inappropriate contributions have been identified, acknowledged, partially returned, and were of a relatively small amount to the individual candidates (\$500), I have determined that further action by this office as filing officer is not warranted and I am bringing this matter to a close.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Jill Broussard  
Pinal County Superintendent