Via Email

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RE: Donors of Make Liberty Win

Dear Mr. Hancock,

We are all Republican candidates in the upcoming primary and each have opponents receiving financial aid from Make Liberty Win, a political action committee that is the political arm of Young Americans for Liberty, a group most known for pushing drug legalization on college campuses.

While Make Liberty Win has the right to be involved in Idaho races, they must comply with Idaho's Sunshine Act.

Make Liberty Win on May 6, 2020 filed a report with your office disclosing roughly \$100,000 in spending. What is missing is full disclosure of all donors.

Make Liberty Win filed a Statement by a Nonbusiness Entity. It showed the following providers of donations over \$500:

Young Americans for Liberty, Inc. Stephen Fernands Chris Rufer Grassroots Victory

While that statement is compliant with Idaho Code § 67-6606(1)(b), what is missing is the identification of the donors to Young Americans for Liberty, Inc. and Grassroots Victory for the effort in Idaho. Idaho Code § 67-6614 is specific on this issue:

No contribution shall be made and no expenditure shall be incurred, directly or indirectly, in a fictitious name, anonymously, or by one (1) person through an agent, relative or other person in such a manner as to conceal the identity of the source of the contribution.

Your office in the past has prevented a group from hiding the source of its contributions. In 2012, the Idaho Secretary of State sued Education Voters of Idaho and the Idaho District Court required the disclosure of its donors, despite its non-profit status.

We ask your office to take the same stance here with respect to Make Liberty Win. It should be required to report the true source of all funds used on the Idaho effort, including actual donors to Young Americans for Liberty, Inc. and Grassroots Victory whose funds were channeled to the Make Liberty Win campaigns in Idaho.

Please take immediate action on this issue.

