

Secretary of State Pedro A. Cortés announced that three disciplinary actions have been taken against charitable organizations, professional solicitors and professional fundraising counsel by the Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations.

Actions

In State

Cumberland County

Angela M. Stoll, of Mechanicsburg, was assessed an administrative fine in the amount of \$1,000 and ordered to cease and desist from all manner of fundraising and solicitation activities in the Commonwealth for a period of at least three years, based on her violations of the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act (“Act”). Stoll, in her fiduciary capacity as Director of the Early Learning Center of the Jewish Community Center of Greater Harrisburg (“JCC”), misappropriated funds in the amount of over \$5,000 from the charitable organization and used them for her personal benefit, thereby violating the Act and her fiduciary duty to the organization. (2-3-2017)

Lehigh County

Lauren Giguere, of Schnecksville, in her capacity as a professional fundraising counsel for charitable organizations was ordered to pay an administrative fine of \$3,200, for violations of the Solicitation of Funds for a Charitable Purpose Act related to the provision of professional fundraising counsel services without being registered from 2012 through 2015.

Philadelphia County

Jewish Heritage Programs was publicly reprimanded, paid an administrative fine of \$3,000, agreed not to solicit charitable contributions in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without first being properly registered with the Bureau, acknowledged that failure to register with the Bureau when required to do so may result in an administrative fine, acknowledged that failing to register with the Bureau when required to do so may result in a subsequent registration being automatically suspended until the fine is paid or until the normal expiration date of the registration, acknowledged that no subsequent registration shall be renewed until the fine is paid, and agreed not to enter into any contract or agreement or employ any professional fundraising counsel or professional solicitor unless that professional fundraising counsel or professional solicitor is registered with the Bureau. The discipline was imposed because Jewish Heritage Programs solicited charitable contributions in the Commonwealth during periods when it was not properly registered with the Bureau.

***A complete list of sanctions is available online at
www.dos.pa.gov.***

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