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March 23, 2023

**By Email and CFB Portal**

Christopher Marte  
[REDACTED]

Marte 2021 TIE  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**FINAL BOARD DETERMINATION – EC2021 T MARTE, CHRISTOPHER  
TRANSITION AND INAUGURATION ENTITY (“TIE”)**

The New York City Campaign Finance Board (the “Board”), at a meeting held on March 15, 2023, made the following final determination regarding Christopher Marte’s 2021 transition and inauguration entity (the “TIE”):

The Elected Candidate, Christopher Marte, the Treasurer, Caitlin Kelmar, and the TIE named above violated the Act and Board rules and are jointly and severally liable for:

A penalty of \$200 for late response to requests for information or documentation.  
*See* Board Rule 13-04(b).

Elected Candidates are required to maintain TIE records for five years after the date of registration and to provide information and records to the Board upon request in a timely manner. *See* Board Rules 13-04(c), (d). Records required to be kept include copies of donation checks, contracts and invoices for goods and services provided, and bank and depository statements. *See* Board Rule 13-04(b).

On January 14, 2022, CFB staff requested documentation for the TIE's expenditures, but the TIE did not respond to the request. CFB staff sent additional requests for expenditure and donation documentation on February 15 and March 15, but the TIE did not respond. CFB staff sent additional requests on April 18 and May 18, 2022, and the May 18 request included a request for documentation for the TIE's donation refunds and the TIE's bank account statements from inception to present, but the TIE did not respond. CFB staff made another request for all previously requested documentation on June 21, 2022, but the TIE did not respond. On August 5, 2022, the TIE filed Disclosure Statement #9 and provided bank statements, but did not provide the other requested documentation. On October 14, 2022, the TIE provided a partial response to the requests, including cancelled checks for some expenditures, contribution cards for some donations, and documentation for donation refunds.

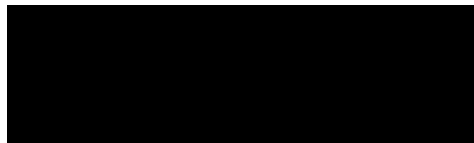
The Board assessed total penalties of \$200 for this violation.

The Board determined that the amount due is **\$200**. You must pay to the Board the full amount due of \$200 no later than April 24, 2023. Checks should be made payable to the "New York City Election Campaign Finance Fund," and mailed to the attention of Joseph Gallagher, Senior Counsel, New York City Campaign Finance Board, Church Street Station, P.O. Box 3525, New York, NY 10008-3525 or delivered to the offices of the Board.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The Elected Candidate will remain ineligible to receive public funds in any current or future election until the full amount owed is paid. In addition, if the Board is not in receipt of the full **\$200** by April 24, 2023, the Elected Candidate's name and the unpaid amount will be posted on the Board's Website and the Board may initiate a civil action against the TIE, the Elected Candidate, and the Treasurer to compel payment.

You may challenge this final determination, within four months, in the New York State Supreme Court pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

If you need additional time to pay this amount or if you have any questions concerning this Final Board Determination, please contact Joseph Gallagher, Senior Counsel, at (212) 409-1865 or [jgallagher@nyccfb.info](mailto:jgallagher@nyccfb.info).



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Bethany Perskie  
General Counsel

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