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**LOS ANGELES CITY ETHICS COMMISSION**

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## **City Ethics Commission Levies \$11,014 in Fines for Campaign Finance Violations**

At a public meeting today, the Los Angeles City Ethics Commission approved 11 settlement agreements related to the 2001 municipal elections and levied fines totaling \$11,014 for violations of the City's campaign finance laws. Nine of the settlements resolved matters in which contributors to 2001 City Attorney candidates Rocky Delgadillo and Mike Feuer gave in excess of the City's \$1,000 per contributor maximum, while another resolved a case with a contributor who exceeded the City's \$500 per contributor calendar-year limit on contributions to a committee organized to make independent expenditures in connection with the 2001 City elections. In a separate matter, the Commission also agreed by a vote of 3-2 to accept a proposed settlement agreement with City Controller Laura Chick and her 2001 campaign committee Treasurer, Cary Davidson, to resolve that campaign's receipt of \$4,000 in excess contributions. As a result of that settlement, Chick and Davidson agreed to a \$4,000 penalty.

The settlements agreed to today by the Commission included the following respondents and penalties for their excess contributions:

South Coast Metal Finishing, Inc.	\$ 500
George Arkin, Milton WidELITZ and Aerolease West	\$1,000
Josef Rodarti and Rodarti, Feld & Gelfer	\$1,000
Bernard Kamine and Kamine Ungerer LLP	\$ 500
Rita Spiegel	\$ 500
Allen Lawrence & Associates, Inc.	\$1,000
Alfredo Annino Investments, Inc.	\$ 150
Alvin S. Michaelson	\$ 500
HAPI Management, Inc., and Mayer Management, Inc.	\$1,000
Alan Frick, David Bouton and BF Associates	\$ 864

The levied fines are paid to the City of Los Angeles General Fund. The stipulated settlements approved by the Commission resolve all factual and legal issues without holding an administrative hearing.

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