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“COMMITTEE FOR EQUITABLE GROWTH” FACT SHEET FOR CONTRIBUTORS

What is the “Committee for Equitable Growth”?

The “Committee for Equitable Growth” (hereinafter “the Committee”) is a political committee set up under Internal Revenue Code section 527 and California Government Code section 82013(a) to support local and state candidates, ballot measures and public policies which enhance equity in California and reduce the economic wealth gap through educational attainment, environmental preservation, intelligent system design and thoughtful economic growth. The committee will make certain that all of its activities supporting candidates and ballot measures comply with all legal requirements.

Are there limits on how much you may contribute to the Committee?

No. The Committee may accept contributions from individuals, corporations, other types of business entities, PACs, government contractors, lobbyists, etc. It may not, however, accept contributions from “foreign nationals,” unless the individual is a permanent resident (i.e., a green card holder). (52 U.S.C. section 30121.)

Are contributions to the Committee tax deductible?

No. Contributions to the Committee are not tax deductible as charitable contributions or business expenses. (Int. Rev. Code sections 162(e) & 6113(a).)

Will your contribution to the Committee be publicly disclosed?

Yes. The Committee is legally required to publicly disclose all contributions it receives of \$100 or more on reports (FPPC Form 460) filed with the Secretary of State’s office. (Cal. Govt. Code section 84211.) The public will be able to view these reports on the Secretary of State’s website.

In addition, the Committee will have to list the names of its top three contributors of \$50,000 or more on the radio ads, social media and other voter communications which it distributes. (Cal. Govt. Code sections 84501 et seq.)

You may also have to file your own campaign report due to your contribution to the Committee. Individuals and entities which contribute \$10,000 or more in a calendar year to all California state and local ballot measures, candidates, PACs and political parties combined, including their contribution to the Committee, must file their own campaign reports (FPPC Form 461) disclosing their contributions, and must also file a report (FPPC Form 497) within 24 hours of making a contribution of \$1,000 or more to the Committee. (Cal. Govt. Code sections 82013(c), 84203 & 84211.) For more information about these potential filing requirements, you may contact the Committee's treasurer Matthew Alvarez at 415/732-4502 or malvarez@campaignlawyers.com, or the California Fair Political Practices Commission (916/322-5660).

How do you make a contribution?

To contribute via check, send your check payable to "Committee for Equitable Growth" at their committee address:

The Sutton Law Firm
150 Post St., Ste. 405
San Francisco, CA 94108
Attn: Niel Skalican

To contribute via wire transfer, please contact the Committee's Political Compliance Specialist Niel Skalican at 415/732-7700 or nskalican@campaignlawyers.com.

For contributions from individuals, please indicate your occupation and employer on or with your check. If not currently employed, put "none"; if retired, put "retired"; if self-employed, include the name of the business; and if a consultant, include the type of consulting business.

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