CAUSE NO. D-1-GN 09-000251

NATHAN HECHT,		§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
Plaintiff,		§	
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v.		§	TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
		§	
TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION,		§	
Defendant.		§ ·	250 TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION'S ORIGINAL ANSWER

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW The Texas Ethics Commission, Defendant herein, and files this its Original Answer and would respectfully show the Court as follows:

I. GENERAL DENIAL

Pursuant to Rule 92, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendant generally denies Plaintiff's allegations.

II. AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

Defendant reserves the right to assert affirmative defenses as they become apparent.

III. PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Defendant prays that Plaintiff take nothing by this suit, that all costs be taxed against him.

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