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**To:** Elections File

**From:** Andrew Carlstrom, City Elections Officer

**Date:** November 15, 2007

**Re:** Call from Tim Crail, treasurer for Amanda Fritz

Subject: Charles Lewis' breakdancing event

On November 13, 2007, Tim Crail, treasurer for Amanda Fritz called with Campaign Finance Fund questions. After we had discussed the issues, he told me that his understanding was that Charles Lewis had a fundraiser and was requiring either a \$5.00 Qualifying Contribution or a donation to Ethos, Lewis nonprofit organization.

For background, last week, Charles Lewis called me asking if he could collect \$5 Qualifying Contributions at a breakdancing fundraiser. I told him that yes, he could, as long as making a contribution to his campaign was not a requirement for entry to the event.

Mr. Crail told me to read a post by Amy Ruiz on Blogtown, which described that it was a requirement for entry to the event to give a contribution to either Charles Lewis, candidate, or Ethos. The blog entry, however, did not describe this as being the case.

I called Lewis on November 14, and asked him if he had required a contribution to his campaign or to Ethos for entry to the breakdancing event. He said that, no, in his press release contributing either was "optional". He said that this was how the event was executed as well. Lewis asked me who had asked, and I told him that it was another candidate.

Mr. Lewis came by a few hours later on the 14<sup>th</sup> to pick up a qualifying contribution that had been mailed to the Auditor's Office. While he was here, he asked if we could talk. We went into the Auditor's conference room. He asked me if it was media that had called, and I said that, no, it was another candidate.

Attached to this memo are:

<u>Information from Charles Lewis web site</u> re: the breakdancing event Amy Ruiz' post on Blogtown