

Corporate money should never be used to advocate the election of any candidates for public office in Texas. As President of the Texas Association of Business I take full responsibility for my actions during the 2002 election which violated this provision of the Election Code in the following manner. While acting as president of the Texas Association of Business, I traveled the state advocating the election of several candidates for the state legislature. I now recognize that while working as a salaried employee for the Texas Association of Business it was a violation of the law to expressly advocate for the election of these candidates. I take full responsibility for my actions. I apologize to the voters of Texas and to the members of the Texas Association of Business.