

## United States Senate

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6425

December 20, 2010

Thomas Fitton, President  
Judicial Watch  
501 School Street, S.W., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Mr. Fitton:

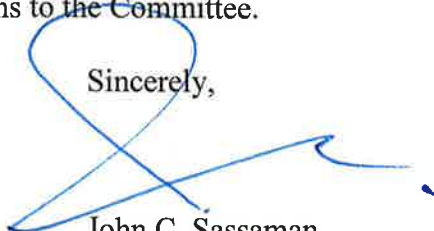
This responds to your letter to the Select Committee on Ethics, submitted on behalf of Judicial Watch, lodging a complaint against Senator Christopher J. Dodd.

Senate Resolution 338, section 2(a)(1), which sets forth the jurisdiction of the Select Committee on Ethics, vests in the Committee the authority to “receive complaints and investigate allegations of improper conduct which may reflect upon the Senate, violations of law, violations of the Senate Code of Official Conduct, and violations of rules and regulations of the Senate, relating to the conduct of individuals in the performance of their duties as Members of the Senate, or as officers or employees of the Senate, and to make appropriate findings of fact and conclusions with respect thereto. . . .”

The Committee has evaluated carefully the allegations and information in your complaint, as well as your supplemental submission to the Committee, publicly available information, and information and records Senator Dodd provided to the Committee in response to your complaint. After considering all the information before it, the Committee has determined that there is not sufficient substantial credible evidence of improper conduct or violation within its jurisdiction to warrant further action by the Committee. Accordingly, the Committee has dismissed the complaint and intends no further action in this matter, pursuant to Committee Supplemental Rule of Procedure 3(g).

Thank you for your submissions to the Committee.

Sincerely,



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Chief Counsel and Staff Director