

October 24, 2025

Anthony D'Esposito
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VIA EMAIL

Dear Mr. D'Esposito,

Yesterday, you appeared before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee ("the Committee") as a nominee to be Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Labor. During this hearing I asked several questions of you regarding your plans to run for re-election in your former congressional district, New York's Fourth District.

Specifically, I referenced screenshots of your website <https://despositoforcongress.com/>, which displays a message to "Re-Elect Anthony D'Esposito" and allows individuals to request lawn signs with the same text. After seeing these screenshots, you proceeded to tell the Committee that your "website is still active but there hasn't been any fundraising or anything done with the [campaign] committee." You subsequently reiterated that, "[t]he campaign website that is still active is not being updated, it's not being used, there is no fundraising being done. There is not an active campaign being conducted."

I asked you when the last contribution was made to your campaign committee you stated "I would assume before the New Year...I'm not certain. I haven't done any active fundraising at all." I also asked you if you are still accepting campaign contributions. You answered unequivocally, "I'm not accepting them."

Within the public record are Federal Election Commission ("FEC") filings for a campaign committee registered as "Desposito For New York", registration number C00809426, with an authorizing candidate of Anthony P. D'Esposito for New York's Fourth District.¹ The most recent statement of organization filed with the FEC for this campaign committee was made on June 2, 2025.² According to filings with the FEC, your campaign has received donations this year of \$22,205.54 through September 30, 2025.³ The most recent donations to your campaign, as listed on the October Quarterly report, were on September 30, 2025.⁴

¹ Desposito For New York, Federal Election Commission, Committee filings, available at: <https://www.fec.gov/data/committee/C00809426/?tab=filings>.

² Desposito For New York, Federal Election Commission, About this Committee, available at: <https://www.fec.gov/data/committee/C00809426/?tab=about-committee>.

³ Desposito For New York, Federal Election Commission, Financial Summary, available at: <https://www.fec.gov/data/committee/C00809426/?tab=summary>.

⁴ See page 12 of FEC Form 3, filed by Desposito For New York, FEC file number FEC-1919801, available at: <https://docquery.fec.gov/pdf/062/202510159790849062/202510159790849062.pdf>.

Given the inconsistencies between your testimony and public record, you should withdraw your nomination. Further, I write to solicit necessary information in order to determine if you lied to the Committee under oath. I request a response to the following questions by October 31, 2025:

1. Has the Desposito For New York campaign committee engaged in fundraising since January 1, 2025?
2. Has the Desposito For New York campaign committee accepted campaign contributions since January 1, 2025?
3. Have you personally appeared at any fundraising or other events for the Desposito For New York campaign committee or any other campaign committees for your re-election since January 1, 2025?
4. As of 10:00 a.m. on October 23, 2025, could individuals make a donation to the Desposito For New York campaign committee:
 - a. Through the Despositoforcongress.com website?
 - b. By check to Desposito For New York, P.O. Box 199, Island Park, NY 11558?
5. You were also unable to tell the Committee who placed an ad in the September 19, 2025 issue of *Five Towns Jewish Times* that said, "Paid for by D'Esposito For New York."⁵
 - a. Was this ad placed by Desposito For New York?
 - b. Who approved the placement of the ad? If not you, please list the individuals who did and their roles.
 - c. Were you consulted about the placement of this ad? Please explain the extent of any consultation.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Richard Blumenthal
United States Senate

⁵ *Five Towns Jewish Times* vol. 25, no. 48 (September 19, 2025): 123.