

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
)
The Pappas Telecasting Companies)
Request For Extension of Time)
To File Application For Review)
Regarding DA 04-3494)

ORDER

Adopted: November 18, 2004

Released: November 18, 2004

By the Chief, Media Bureau:

1. On October 29, 2004 the Media Bureau released an Order, DA 04-3494 (“Parra”), responding to a complaint filed by Nicole Parra, a candidate for Assembly member for the 30th Assembly District in California. In *Parra*, we found that broadcast time that had been made available to Dean Gardner, a candidate running for the same office as Parra, was furnished free of charge by Stations KMPH-TV, Fresno, CA, KFRE-TV, Sanger, CA, and KMPH-FM, Hanford, CA. Therefore, pursuant to Section 315(a) of the Communications of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 315(a), we concluded that Parra was entitled to equal opportunities from the subject stations on the same free basis as her opponent.

2. On November 15, 2004, The Pappas Telecasting Companies (“Pappas”), licensee of the subject stations, filed a motion requesting that we extend the due date for filing of an Application For Review of the Bureau’s decision to December 17, 2004. Pappas argues that their attorneys’ scheduling conflicts combined with Thanksgiving vacation, “pose significant practical impediments to the timely completion of a pleading by November 29.” Pappas further contends that granting the extension would not adversely affect any party because Pappas has already complied with the Bureau’s *Order* in this case by granting Parra’s request for free equal opportunities prior to the election.

3. Because we believe that the public interest would be served by granting Pappas’ Motion For Extension of Time, we grant Pappas’s Motion and extend the date for an Application For Review regarding the Bureau’s decision in *Parra* to December 17, 2004.

4. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that Pappas’ Motion For Extension of Time IS GRANTED.

5. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the date for filing an Application For Review regarding the Bureau’s decision in *Parra* IS EXTENDED to December 17, 2004.

6. This action is taken pursuant to delegated authority found in Sections 4(i) and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Sections 154(i) and 303(r), and Section 0.204(b), 0.283 and 1.46 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Sections 0.204(b), 0.283, and 1.46

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