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## Steve Garvey campaign paid Ryan Garvey for consulting, report says

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Steve Garvey's U.S. Senate campaign has paid Ryan Garvey \$32,500 since December to serve as a campaign consultant, according to a campaign report filed with the Federal Election Commission.

Garvey, the Republican nominee for a California U.S. Senate seat, has also reported being

reimbursed \$15,954 by his campaign this year, the report showed. The report only lists the money as "reimbursement" without giving any further details.

Steve Garvey has a son named Ryan Garvey. While it could not be confirmed that the Ryan Garvey listed in the report is the candidate's son, the address is listed as the same street as the candidate in Palm Desert.

The Garvey campaign did not

respond to a request for comment or clarification.

Such spending is not unusual in campaigns. "It is legal (and not unusual) for a campaign to pay a family member provided the family member is providing bona fide services, and the rate they are paid is the usual and normal rate for such services," said Saurav Ghosh, the non-partisan Campaign Legal Center's director for federal campaign finance reform....



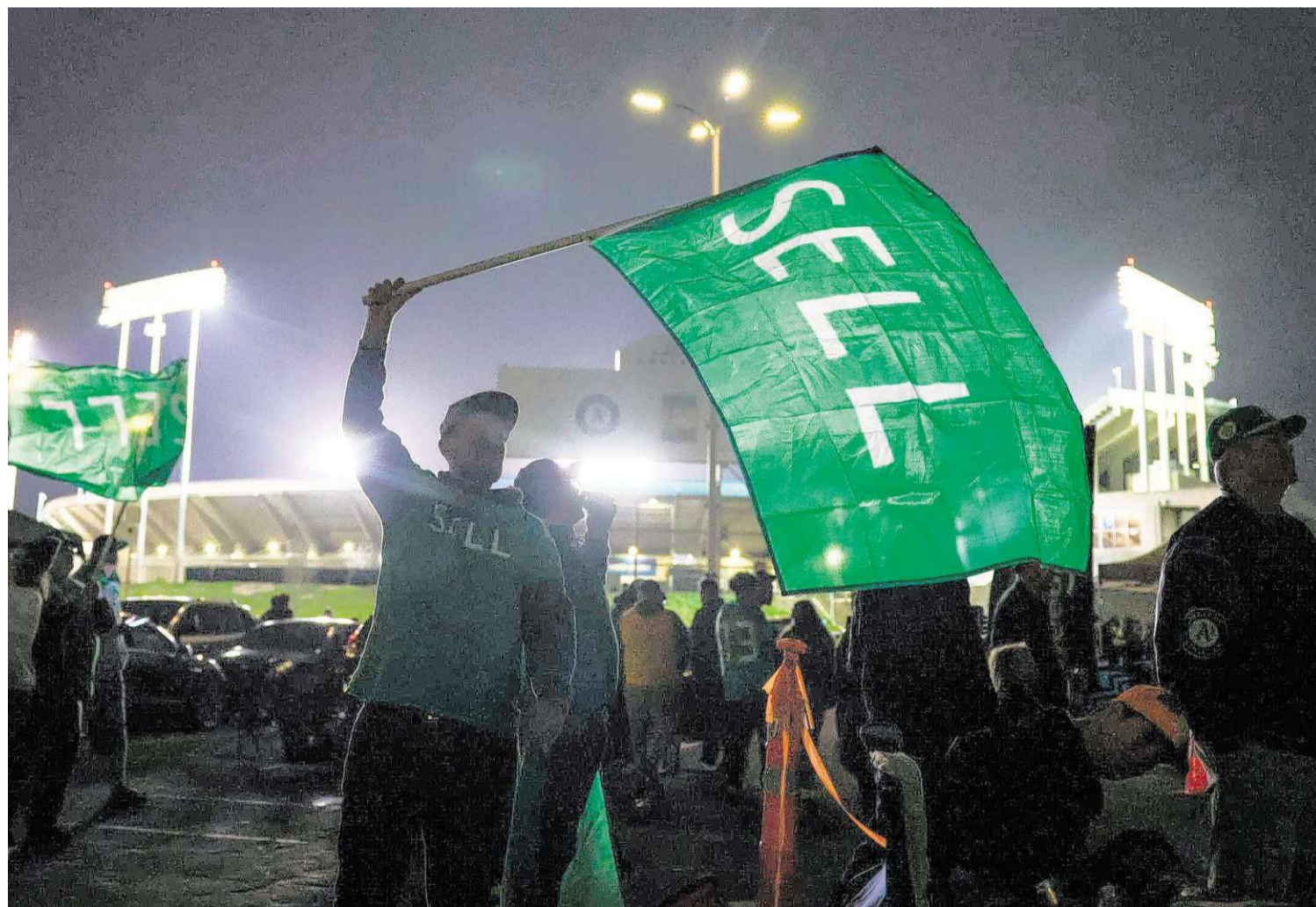
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Steve Garvey and his wife Candace Garvey wave to supporters on election night in Palm Desert on Super Tuesday in March.

He also explained that "a candidate can be reimbursed for campaign expenses that they pay directly. The description of a campaign service as 'cam-

campaign consulting services' is very common and acceptable under FEC guidelines."

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Oakland Athletics fans honk their cars and chant "sell the team" during the team's MLB opening day game against Cleveland on March 28. Some fans will travel from Oakland to West Sacramento to protest the A's ownership and the decision to move out of Oakland.

## A's fan protests coming to River Cats-Aviators game

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The fans' protest of the Oakland Athletics' ownership will be coming to the team's future temporary home in West Sacramento this weekend.

Members of the A's fan groups The Last Dive Bar and Oakland 68s are organizing a protest Saturday at the River Cats game against the Las Vegas Aviators at Sutter Health Park, where the A's will play for three seasons beginning next year. The groups are urging

fans to join as the coalition continues to voice their disapproval of A's ownership's plan to move the team out of Oakland.

Last Dive Bar co-founder Bryan Johansen said plans were put in motion to protest in Sacramento the weekend after the

A's announced their plans this month. The Aviators, the visiting team Saturday, are the Triple-A affiliate of the A's while the River Cats are the top minor league team for the San Francisco Giants.

"I was already looking at the schedule saying, when can we come up there?" Johansen said Thursday. "When can we come up there and make our presence known, make our presence felt? ... We thought it was the perfect game to come up there and bring the 'Sell' move-

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## State bill boosting domestic violence penalties fails again

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Domestic violence is not always classified as a violent felony in California.

Assemblyman Joe Patterson, R-Rocklin, has tried this year and last year to make more types of domestic violence eligible for more prison time. But most Democrats refuse to go along, and they have the support of criminal justice reform groups.

This week, his effort failed again, and the bill appears dead for the year.

Why does Patterson find making these changes so difficult?

One reason is that domestic violence is a broad offense that encompasses a variety of criminal behavior. This makes it tough to write a sweeping law that would punish certain gradations of the crime more harshly.

Prosecutors can currently charge domestic violence as a felony or a misdemeanor, making it a so-called "wobbler" offense, according to an Assembly Public Safety Committee staff analysis of the bill. It said all the other crimes on the state's list of violent offenses can be charged only as felonies.

Patterson said he was targeting domestic violence offenses that fall in between misdemeanors and those causing significant injuries. Courts could still choose to charge some offenses

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## Publisher describes deals to buy silence at Trump trial

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A crucial witness in Donald Trump's criminal trial told ju-

rors how he helped bury scandalous stories about the presidential hopeful before the 2016 election, and described how a porn actor began shopping the story about a sexual tryst that is at the heart of the case.

The witness, David Pecker, the former publisher of The National Enquirer, testified for a third day about what prosecutors say was a conspiracy with Trump and his longtime lawyer and fixer, Michael Cohen, to aid

Trump's bid for the presidency.

On the stand, Pecker described learning in October 2016 – just weeks before the election – that porn actor Stormy Daniels was shopping her account of a sexual encounter with Trump a decade earlier. Pecker, whose magazine had bought and buried two other salacious stories on Trump's behalf, testified that he urged Cohen to make a deal with Daniels.

Cohen subsequently paid her \$130,000 to keep quiet. Pecker

testified that Cohen complained about how slowly Trump was reimbursing him. That reimbursement is at the heart of the 34 felony counts the former president has been charged with.

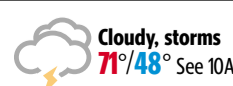
Pecker also described two so-called catch-and-kill schemes he took part in to protect Trump's campaign, including the suppression of a Playboy model's account of a sexual

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