AUDITOR C

ASHTABULA REPUBLICAN PARTY ASHTABULA COUNTY

AGREED UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000





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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

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We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Chairperson and Treasurer, solely to comply with the requirements of Section 3517.17 of the Ohio Revised Code. This engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

Cash Receipts

1. We confirmed the Ohio Political Party Fund receipts with the State of Ohio and agreed to amounts shown on the Ohio Campaign Finance Report.

We found no exceptions as a result of our procedures.

Cash Reconciliation

1. We compared the sum of the cash balances recorded on the Ashtabula Republican Party's Ohio Campaign Finance Report with cash balances recorded on the bank reconciliation for the Ashtabula Republican Party as of December 31, 2000. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the bank reconciliation.

We found no exceptions as a result of our procedures.

Cash Disbursements

- 1. We confirmed the mathematical accuracy of the cash disbursement listing and compared the listing totals to the disbursement totals on the Ohio Campaign Finance Report.
- 2. We traced selected recorded disbursements to source documentation such as invoices and canceled checks. We also determined that the checks corresponded to the names on the invoices and that the checks were signed by authorized signatories and endorsed by the payee.
- 3. We vouched selected disbursement transactions for compliance with Section 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code.

We found no exceptions as a result of our procedures.

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We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the political party fund finance report which is attached as Exhibit A. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of the specified users listed above and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

March 30, 2001

Exhibit A

REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY ASHTABULA COUNTY OHIO CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000 (UNAUDITED)

\$1,466

RECEIPTS:		
STATE DISTRIBUTION	\$ <u>841</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>841</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2000

RENT 1,844 OTHER <u>121</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 1,965

ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2000 \$\(\frac{342}{2}\)

(See Independent Accountants' Report)



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED APRIL 10, 2001