



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

REPUBLICAN PARTY
DEFIANCE COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Republican Executive Committee
Defiance County
208 Westfield Avenue
Defiance, Ohio 43512-1436

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Republican Executive Committee, solely to assist the Committee in evaluating its compliance with §§ 3517.17 and 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code for the year ended December 31, 2002. Management is responsible for the Committee's compliance with those requirements. We followed the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' attestation standards for agreed-upon procedures engagements. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Executive Committee. 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.

Cash Receipts

We confirmed the Ohio Political Party Fund receipts with the State of Ohio and agreed them to amounts shown on the Political Party Public Funds Report. We found no exceptions.

Cash Reconciliation

1. We compared the sum of the cash balance recorded on the Committee's Political Party Public Funds Report with the cash balance reconciled by the Committee Treasurer for the Republican Party as of December 31, 2002. The sums agreed.
2. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the reconciliation. We found no computational errors.
3. We agreed the bank balance on the reconciliation to the month end bank statement. The balances reconciled.
4. We agreed the reconciling item appearing on that reconciliation to the canceled check. We determined that the date on the canceled check supports that the item was a proper reconciling item at December 31, 2002.

Cash Disbursements

1. We footed the Expenditures from Political Party Fund Monies Report and compared the listing total to the disbursement total on the Political Party Public Funds Report. The amounts agreed.

2. We selected all disbursement transactions and traced the payee and amount to source documentation such as invoices and canceled checks. We also compared the payees on the checks to the names on the invoices. The payees and amounts recorded on the Expenditures from Political Party Fund Monies Report agreed to the payees and amounts on the canceled checks.
3. We compared the signature on the checks to the authorized signatory name the Committee provided to us. We also compared the endorsement to the payee listed on the checks. The signatory on all the checks was an approved signatory.
4. We compared the purpose for the disbursements with the allowable uses described in § 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code. We found no exceptions.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance of the Political Party Public Funds Report which is attached to this report. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that we would have reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.



Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

March 20, 2003

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DEFIANCE COUNTY

POLITICAL PARTY PUBLIC FUNDS REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 (UNAUDITED)

Beginning Balance, January 1, 2002		\$402
Receipts:		
State Distribution	<u>\$360</u>	
Total Receipts		360
Disbursements:		
Ohio Republican Party	100	
Fair Booth Rent	150	
Postage	179	
Office Supplies	<u>312</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>741</u>
Ending Balance, December 31, 2002		<u><u>\$21</u></u>

See Independent Accountant's 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.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
APRIL 17, 2003**