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REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY MERCER COUNTY

AGREED UPON PROCEDURES

JANUARY 1, 2001 - DECEMBER 31, 2001





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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Republican Executive Committee Mercer County Deb Hamrick - Treasurer 11844 State Route 49 Willshire, Ohio 45898

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 Sections 3517.17 and 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code for the year ended December 31, 2001. 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 Fund Finance Report.

We found two exceptions as a result of our procedure. Two checks received during 2001 were not deposited timely. One check in the amount of \$58.83 was received during July, 2001, and not deposited until January 30, 2002. The second check in the amount of \$17.53 was received during October, 2001, and not deposited until January 30, 2002.

The checks should be deposited in a timely manner to ensure that all receipts are recorded in the proper period.

Cash Reconciliation

- 1. We compared the sum of the cash balances recorded on the Committee's Ohio Campaign Finance Report with the cash balances reconciled by the Treasurer for the Mercer County Republican Party as of December 31, 2001. The sums agreed.
- 1. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the reconciliation. We found no computational errors.
- 2. We agreed bank balances on the reconciliation with month end bank statements. The balances agreed.

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 fund finance 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.

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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.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

February 7, 2002

REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY MERCER COUNTY

POLITICAL PARTY FUND FINANCE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001 (UNAUDITED)

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2001		\$ 53
RECEIPTS: STATE DISTRIBUTION BANK INTEREST	91 _3	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		94
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		_0
ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2001		<u>\$147</u>

(See Report of Independent Accountants on Applying Agreed-upon Procedures)



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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 MARCH 12, 2002