



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

REPUBLICAN POLITICAL PARTY
HIGHLAND COUNTY

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Republican Executive Committee
Highland County
109 Woodland Drive
Hillsboro, Ohio 45133

To the Executive Committee:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, to which the Republican Executive Committee, Highland County, Ohio (the Committee), agreed, solely to assist the Committee in evaluating its compliance with Ohio Rev. Code Sections 3517.1012, 3517.17, and 3517.18, for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Committee is responsible for complying with these 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 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

1. We inquired of the Committee whether they deposited all gifts from corporations, labor organizations and all gifts restricted to operations into the same fund into which they deposit amounts received from the State Tax Commissioner. Management informed us they received no such gifts.
2. We footed each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.17 requires (Deposit Form 31-CC), filed for 2005. We noted no computational errors.
3. We compared bank deposits reflected in 2005 restricted fund bank statements to total deposits recorded in Deposit Forms 31-CC filed for 2005.
4. We confirmed amounts received from the State Tax Commissioner pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code 3517.17(A), and agreed them to amounts shown on Deposit Forms 31-CC filed for 2005. We found no exceptions.

Cash Reconciliation

1. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the December 31, 2005 reconciliation for the bank account used for receipts and disbursements restricted pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.1012(A). We found no computational errors.
2. We agreed the bank balance on the reconciliation to the bank statement balance as of December 31, 2005. The balances agreed.
3. There were no reconciling items at December 31, 2005.

Cash Disbursements

1. We footed each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Disbursements* Ohio Rev. Code Section 3517.17 requires (Disbursement Form 31-M), filed for 2005. We noted no computational errors.
2. We compared the amounts on checks or other disbursements reflected in 2005 restricted fund bank statements to disbursement amounts reported on Disbursement Forms 31-M filed for 2005.
3. We reviewed the restricted fund disbursement recorded on Form 31-M for evidence that it represented a transfer from the restricted fund to any other state or county political party, which Ohio Rev. Code 3517(X)4 prohibits. We found the Committee transferred \$100 to the State Republican Party in violation of Ohio Rev. Code 3517(X)4. After the Auditor of State brought this matter to the attention of the State Republican Party, the State Party refunded this amount to the Committee.

We were not engaged to, and did not perform an examination, the objective of which would be to express an opinion on compliance for each *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Deposits* and *Statement of Political Party Restricted Fund Disbursements* filed for 2005. Accordingly, we do not express 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 Secretary of State of Ohio and for the Republican Executive Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone else.



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August 16, 2006



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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
OCTOBER 5, 2006**