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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Democratic Party Executive Committee
Shelby County
410 Hall Avenue
Sidney, Ohio 45365

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Democratic Party 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, 2004. 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 Ohio Campaign Fund Finance Report. We found no exceptions.

Cash Reconciliation

1. We compared the sum of the cash balances recorded on the Shelby County Democratic Party's Ohio Campaign Finance Report with the cash balances reconciled by Shelby County Democratic Party's Treasurer as of December 31, 2004. The sums agreed.
2. We recomputed the mathematical accuracy of the reconciliation. We found no computational errors.
3. We agreed bank balances on the reconciliation with month end bank statements. The balances agreed.

Cash Disbursements

1. We footed the Statement of Expenditures and compared the listing totals to the disbursement totals on the Ohio Campaign Finance Report. The amounts agreed.
2. We traced payee 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 in the Statement of Expenditures agreed to the payees and amounts on the canceled checks.
3. We compared the signature on the check to the authorized signatories the Committee provided to us. We compared the endorsement to the payee listed on the check. The signatory on all checks we selected was an approved signatory.

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Cash Disbursements (Continued)

4. We compared the purpose for the disbursement with the allowable uses described in Section 3517.18 of the Ohio Revised Code. We found no exceptions.

Noncompliance

We noted the following noncompliance issue during our testing for the agreed upon procedures above:

Ohio Revised Code section 3517.17 states each party treasurer receiving public monies from the Ohio political party fund shall maintain monies in account separate from all other assets of the political party and shall file statements as required by sections 3517.10 and 3517.11 of the revised code. The Democratic Party's 2004 Campaign Finance Report was not filed with the Shelby County Board of Elections by the last business day of January 2004.

The treasurer submitted the required 2004 Campaign Finance Report to the Board of Elections on June 15, 2005.

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.

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.



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June 16, 2005

**DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL PARTY
SHELBY COUNTY**

**POLITICAL PARTY FUND FINANCE REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED)**

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2004		\$223
RECEIPTS:		
STATE DISTRIBUTION	<u>234</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>234</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
POSTAGE	<u>259</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>259</u>
ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2004		<u>\$198</u>

(See Independent Accountant's Report 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.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
AUGUST 4, 2005**