



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461

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Thomas McGuire, Treasurer
Bipartisan Political Action Committee/Mellon
Financial Corporation (BIPAC/MFC)
One Mellon Bank Center
Pittsburgh, PA 15258

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Identification Number: C00017558

Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/02-6/30/02)

Dear Mr. McGuire:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

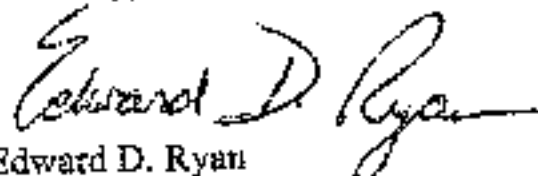
Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed

on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations, and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Edward D. Ryan
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

**SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)
ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full)
BIPARTISAN POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE/MELLEN FINANCIAL CORPORATION (BIFAC/MFC)

A. JIM GERLACH FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): JIM GERLACH FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE

Date of Disbursement: 06^M 11^D 2002^Y

Mailing Address: 914 WELSHAYRES WAY

City: DOWNTOWN State: PA Zip Code: 19335

Purpose of Disbursement: Contribution to Federal Candidate

Candidate Name: _____

Category/Type: _____

Office Sought: House Senate President

Disbursement For: Primary General Other (specify) _____

State: PA District: 06

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1500.00

Transaction ID: SB23.5559

B. KEN BENTSEN FOR US SENATE COMMITTEE

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): KEN BENTSEN FOR US SENATE COMMITTEE

Date of Disbursement: 06^M 18^D 2002^Y

Mailing Address: 5615 MORNINGSIDE #301

City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip Code: 77005

Purpose of Disbursement: Contribution to Federal Candidate

Candidate Name: _____

Category/Type: _____

Office Sought: House Senate President

Disbursement For: Primary General Other (specify) _____

State: TX District: 03

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 500.00

Transaction ID: SB23.5554 *EDR*

NOTE: 3/12/02

C. MOORE FOR CONGRESS

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): MOORE FOR CONGRESS

Date of Disbursement: 05^M 11^D 2002^Y

Mailing Address: PO BOX 14631

City: SHAWNEE MISSION State: KS Zip Code: 66285

Purpose of Disbursement: Contribution to Federal Candidate

Candidate Name: _____

Category/Type: _____

Office Sought: House Senate President

Disbursement For: Primary General Other (specify) _____

State: KS District: 03

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period: 1000.00

Transaction ID: SB23.5551

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional) 3000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this time number only)

