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RE: Senate Victory Fund Year-End Report (7/1/99-12/31/99)

Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry concerning the above referenced report. As you can see from reviewing the FEC reports for this committee, we have very limited activities and as a result very limited administrative expenses. My firm, Nail McKinney P.A., provides all of the administrative and accounting services for the committee for a fixed monthly fee. All of the services were paid for by the committee and reported on line 21B of the report. This organization is not connected to any other organization and pays all of its own operating and administrative expenses as required by the statute. We trust that this information is sufficient to answer this segment of your inquiry.

You also requested additional information concerning a returned contribution reported on line 16 of the detail summary page. As explained in the report, this $ 2,000 amount was for a check, which was issued to a candidate in the first quarter of 1998. This check never cleared the bank and was assumed to have been lost in the mail. The check was voided during the last half of 1999 and we reported it on line 16. According to comments in your letter, you indicated that we should have reported this voided check on line 23 as a negative entry. Please advise if you wish us to file a corrected report moving the $ 2,000 amount from line 16 to a negative entry on line 23. If this clarifies the matter to where an amended report is not required, we will make note and report this type of item correctly in the future should a similar situation ever occur.

We have also noted for future reference that contributions to nonfederal candidates and committees should be reported on line 29 rather than line 23 and we will report these properly in the future.

Very truly yours,

John M. Robinson
Treasurer

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