



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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John Camp, Treasurer
South Carolina Republican Party
1508 Lady Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Identification Number: C00034033

Reference: 30 Day Post-General Report (10/17/96-11/25/96)

Dear Mr. Camp:

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 A of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) from an organization(s) which is not a political committee registered with the Commission. In order for your committee to accept contributions from unregistered organizations into accounts used to influence federal elections, your committee should take steps to insure that the contributor(s) used permissible funds to make the contribution(s) to avoid violating 2 U.S.C. §§441a(f) and 441b or 11 CFR §102.5(b). Under 11 CFR §102.5(b), organizations which are not political committees under the Act and choose to contribute to federal committees must either: 1) establish a separate account which contains only those funds permitted under the Act, or 2) demonstrate through a reasonable accounting method that the organization has received sufficient funds subject to the limitations and prohibitions in order to make the contribution.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. In addition, please clarify whether the contribution(s) received from the referenced organization(s) is permissible. To the extent that your committee has received impermissible funds, the Commission recommends that you transfer the impermissible funds to an account not used to influence federal elections or refund the impermissible amount(s) to the

donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of receiving a refund or granting written authorization for a transfer to another account.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. Should you choose to transfer-out or refund the contribution(s), the Commission will presume the funds were impermissible if no statement from your committee provides information to the contrary. Transfers-out and refunds should be disclosed on a Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of prohibited contributions, prompt action by your committee in transferring-out or refunding the amounts will be taken into consideration.

-Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. Contributions to non-federal candidates should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 29 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms to determine the proper categorization when preparing your next filing.

-Your report includes computer produced formats of Schedule H3. Computer produced formats may only be used upon prior approval of the Commission. You should submit a separate sample format with a cover letter requesting approval. Until your format has been approved, FEC forms must be used. 11 CFR §104.2(d)

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,



J.P. Andre, Jr.

Reports Analyst

Reports Analysis Division

SCHEDULE A
 Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)
 South Carolina Republican Party 57-0440314

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Full Name Mailing Address	Name of Employer Occupation	Date MM/DD/YY	Amount
Republican Caucus 503 Blatt Building Columbia, SC 29211-		11/12/96	\$5000.00
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$5000.00
Republican Caucus 503 Blatt Building Columbia, SC 29211-		11/25/96	\$4088.88
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$9088.88
Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003-		10/17/96	\$18014.85
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$18014.85
Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003-		10/23/96	\$1302.47
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$19317.32
Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003-		10/29/96	\$540.94
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$19858.26
Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003-		10/25/96	\$618.13
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$20476.39
Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003-		10/25/96	\$5000.00
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$25476.39
Republican National Committee 310 First Street SE Washington, DC 20003-		10/28/96	\$627.97
Receipt for [X]Primary	Aggregate YTD >		\$26104.36
SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page.....>			\$35193.24
TOTAL This Period.....>			\$35193.24

