



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461

October 24, 2002

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Edward Bertorelli, Treasurer
Massachusetts Republican State Congressional
Committee
27 Water Street, Suite 309
Wakfield, MA 01880

Identification Number: C00042622

Reference: 30 Day Pre-Special Primary Election (7/1/01-11/5/01) and Year End (11/6/01-12/31/01) Reports

Dear Mr. Bertorelli:

This letter is to inform you that as of October 23, 2002 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated October 2, 2002. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by November 13, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

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 should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Colleen Manning on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20543

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Edward Bertorelli, Treasurer
Massachusetts Republican State Congressional
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27 Water Street, Suite 309
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OCT 02 2002

Identification Number: C00042622

Reference: 30 Day Pre-Special Primary Election Report (7/1/01-11/5/01)

Dear Mr. Bertorelli:

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:

-The totals listed on Lines 21(a)(i), 21(a)(ii), and 31, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-The limitation on making coordinated expenditures on behalf of a House candidate for the 2001 special general election is \$35,910. Your reports, however, disclose coordinated expenditures made on behalf of Jo Ann Sprague totaling \$67,840, which appear to exceed the limitations under 2 U.S.C. §441a(d) (pertinent portions attached).

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

If you have made an excessive coordinated expenditure, you must notify the candidate and request a refund of the amount in excess of the limitation.

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Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the candidate. In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the excessive coordinated expenditures, prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration.

-Your report discloses receipts totaling \$78,000 and \$20,000 from National Republican Congressional Committee and Republican National Committee, respectively, which are joint fundraising committees affiliated with your committee. Please be advised that a memo Schedule A must be provided to itemize your committee's share of the gross contributions received through the joint fundraiser(s). The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during the calendar year, and provide the amount of unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. Please amend your report by providing the omitted memo schedule(s). 11 CFR §102.17(c)(8)(i)(B)

-Line 18 of the Detailed Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$7,074.55 in shared federal/nonfederal operating expenses. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule H3, however, indicates the total to be \$5,234.55. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

-Note: Please be advised that the ballot composition ratio for allocation of administrative and generic voter drive expenses should be the same for the full two-year election cycle.

A response or 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. 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

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the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Colleen Manning", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Colleen Manning
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

SCHEDULE F (FEC Form 3X)

**ITEMIZED COORDINATED EXPENDITURES MADE BY
POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES OR DESIGNATED AGENT(S)
ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL OFFICE**

(2 U.S.C. §441a(d))

(To be used only by Political Committees in the General Election)

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FOR LINE 25 OF FORM 3X

NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full) Massachusetts Republican State Congressional Committee			
Has your committee been designated to make coordinated expenditures by a political party committee? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Full Name of Subordinate Committee	
If YES, name the designating committee:		Mailing Address	
		City	State ZIP Code
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Each Payee KE Printing & Graph.		Purpose of Expenditure GOTV Printing, H2MA09-122	IND Category/Type
Mailing Address 958 Turnpike Street		Date M M J D Y Y Y Y 10 02 2001	
City Canton	State MA	ZIP Code 02021	
Name of Federal Candidate Supported SPRAGUE, JO ANN	Office Sought: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> House <input type="checkbox"/> Senate <input type="checkbox"/> Presidential	State: MA District: 09	Amount
Aggregate General Election Expenditure for this Candidate ▶ Transaction ID: 1114200147E3243		36263.00	
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Each Payee KE Printing & Graph.		Purpose of Expenditure GOTV Printing, H2MA09-122	IND Category/Type
Mailing Address 958 Turnpike Street		Date M M J D Y Y Y Y 10 12 2001	
City Canton	State MA	ZIP Code 02021	
Name of Federal Candidate Supported SPRAGUE, JO ANN	Office Sought: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> House <input type="checkbox"/> Senate <input type="checkbox"/> Presidential	State: MA District: 09	Amount
Aggregate General Election Expenditure for this Candidate ▶ Transaction ID: 1114200147E3258		7162.68	
Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Each Payee KE Printing & Graph.		Purpose of Expenditure GOTV Printing, H2MA09-122	IND Category/Type
Mailing Address 958 Turnpike Street		Date M M J D Y Y Y Y 10 09 2001	
City Canton	State MA	ZIP Code 02021	
Name of Federal Candidate Supported SPRAGUE, JO ANN	Office Sought: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> House <input type="checkbox"/> Senate <input type="checkbox"/> Presidential	State: MA District: 09	Amount
Aggregate General Election Expenditure for this Candidate ▶ Transaction ID: 1114200147E3259		7256.98	
SUBTOTAL of Expenditures This Page (optional) ▶			60682.66
TOTAL This Period (see page this line number only) ▶			

SCHEDULE F (FEC Form 3X)

**ITEMIZED COORDINATED EXPENDITURES MADE BY
POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES OR DESIGNATED AGENT(S)
ON BEHALF OF CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL OFFICE**

(2 U.S.C. §441a(d)) (To be used only by Political Committees in the General Election)

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FOR LINE 25 OF FORM 3X

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)
Massachusetts Republican State Congressional Committee

Has your committee been designated to make coordinated expenditures by a political party committee?
YES NO

If YES, name the designating committee:

Full Name of Subordinate Committee
Mailing Address
City State ZIP Code

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Each Payee Postmaster-Boston	Purpose of Expenditure Bulk Mail Postage, H2-MA09122	Category/Type
Mailing Address 25 Dorchester Avenue	Date M O B / Y Y Y Y 10 08 2007	
City State ZIP Code Boston MA 02208		
Name of Federal Candidate Supported: Office Sought: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> House <input type="checkbox"/> Senate <input type="checkbox"/> Presidential State: MA District: 09	Amount	
SPRAGUE, JO ANN		
Aggregate General Election Expenditures for this Candidate ▶ Transaction ID: 1114200147E3256	2676.34	2676.34

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial) of Each Payee Postmaster-Boston	Purpose of Expenditure Bulk Mail Postage, H2-MA09122	Category/Type
Mailing Address 25 Dorchester Avenue	Date M O B / Y Y Y Y 10 02 2007	
City State ZIP Code Boston MA 02208		
Name of Federal Candidate Supported: Office Sought: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> House <input type="checkbox"/> Senate <input type="checkbox"/> Presidential State: MA District: 09	Amount	
SPRAGUE, JO ANN		
Aggregate General Election Expenditures for this Candidate ▶ Transaction ID: 1114200147E3242	14481.00	14481.00

SUBTOTAL of Expenditures This Page (optional) ▶	17157.34
TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only) ▶	67840.00