



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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John W. Meyers, Treasurer
The Washington Fund (WASHFUND)
4428 133rd SW
Mukilteo, WA 98275

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Identification Number: C00312579

Reference: Year End Report (7/01/99-12/31/99)

Dear Mr. Meyers:

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:

-Your calculations for Line 30, Column B appear to be incorrect. Please provide the corrected total on the Detailed Summary Page.

-Your report discloses limited payments for administrative expenses. Administrative expenses are payments made for the purpose of operating a political committee including, but not limited to, rent, utilities, salaries, telephone service, office equipment and supplies. Any such payments to a person aggregating in excess of \$200 in a calendar year must be disclosed on Schedule B, supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(5) If these expenses are being paid by a connected organization, your Statement of Organization must be amended to reflect this relationship. 2 U.S.C. §433(b)(2) In addition, if expenses have been incurred but not paid in a reporting period, the activity should be disclosed as a debt on Schedule D, if the obligation is \$500 or more, or outstanding for sixty days or more. 11 CFR §104.11

Any goods or services provided to your committee by a person, except volunteer activity (i.e., a person's time), would be considered an in-kind contribution from that person, and would be subject to the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) and 11 CFR §104.13, and the limitations and prohibitions of 2 U.S.C. §§441a and 441b.

Clarification regarding administrative expenses should be disclosed during each two year election cycle beginning with the first report filed in the non-election year. Please verify that all expenses referenced above (i.e., rent, salaries, utilities, etc.) have been adequately disclosed. If these services have been provided by volunteers, please confirm this in writing.

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that contributions to Presidential candidates are governed by specific regulations. All Presidential primary elections held during an election year are considered one election for the purpose of the contribution limits. Therefore, a multicandidate committee may give only \$5,000 to a Presidential candidate's primary election campaign, regardless of how many separate state Presidential primaries the candidate participates in. 11 CFR §§110.1(j)(1) and 110.2(i)(1)

In addition, please note that general election contributions to Presidential campaigns are not permitted if the candidate receives public funds. (An exception: Political committees may contribute to a publicly funded Presidential nominee's "compliance fund." A compliance fund is used solely for legal and accounting expenses incurred in complying with the election law. Gifts to compliance funds are considered contributions and are subject to usual per-candidate, per-election limits.) 11 CFR §9003.3(a)

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an excessive contribution, you should notify the recipient and request a refund of the amount in excess of \$5,000. In the best interest of your committee, all refunds should be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution.

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

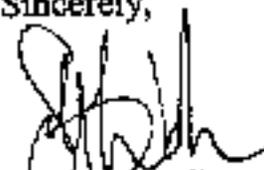
Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the excessive contribution(s), prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration.

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office

sought (i.e., House, Senate or President) state and congressional district for each contribution made. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

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

Sincerely,



Scott B. Walker
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)

The Washington Fund (WASH FUND)

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Ella Pirozzi For Congress 9209 Archibald Avenue Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	9/3/99	1,000.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Simpson For Congress 786 Hoff Drive Blackfoot, ID 83221	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	10/7/99	1,000.00
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code David Vitter For Congress 2520 Metairie Road Metairie, LA 70001	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	10/7/99	1,000.00
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Rehberg For Congress 4401 Highway 3 Billings, MT 59106	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	11/2/99	1,000.00
E. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Shelly Moore Capito For Congress P.O. Box 11519 Charleston, WV 25339	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	11/2/99	1,000.00
F. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Gov. G.W. Bush for President Compliance Committee P.O. Box 1902 Austin, TX 78707	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	11/12/99	1,000.00
G. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Chris Vance For Congress PNB 122 31217 Pacific Coast Hwy., S. Federal Way, WA 98003	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	12/17/99	2,500.00
H. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Macdonald for Congress 601 Market Street, Suite 15 Kirkland, WA 98033	Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	12/20/99	2,500.00
I. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional)

11,000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only)

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)
The Washington Fund (WASHFUND)

Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement (House - PA - 15) Contribution	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
Pat Toomey for Congress PO Box 80158 Allentown PA 18109	Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	08/22/1999	1000.00
Friends of George Allen 601 East Main Street, Suite 520 Richmond VA 23219	Purpose of Disbursement (Senate - VA -) Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Date (month, day, year) 04/29/1999	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 500.00
Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code David Hobbs for Congress 415 Bronco Circle Shady Shores TX 78208	Purpose of Disbursement (House - TX - 12) Contribution (Debt Retirement) Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): Debt Retirement	Date (month, day, year) 04/13/1999	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 500.00
Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code Watson 199B 8252 Michner Avenue Philadelphia PA 19150	Purpose of Disbursement Contribution, Philadelphia City Council Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Date (month, day, year) 03/28/1999	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 500.00
Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code New Mexicans for Bill Redmond PO Box 5747 2650 Serrano Rd, Suite D Santa Fe NM 87502	Purpose of Disbursement (House - NM - 03) Contribution (Debt Retirement) Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): Debt Retirement	Date (month, day, year) 02/09/1999	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 1000.00
Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code Tancredo For Congress 5741 S Estes Street Littleton CO 80123	Purpose of Disbursement (House - CO - 06) Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Date (month, day, year) 08/25/1998	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 1000.00
Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code Mike Simpson for Congress 706 Hoff Dr Blackfoot ID 83221	Purpose of Disbursement (House - ID - 02) Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Date (month, day, year) 06/25/1999	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 1000.00
Full Name, Mailing Address, and ZIP Code George W Bush Pres Exploratory Comm Inc 301 Congress Avenue, Suite 200 Austin TX 78701	Purpose of Disbursement (Presidential - WA -) Contribution Disbursement for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	Date (month, day, year) 06/23/1999	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 5000.00
SUBTOTALS of Disbursements This Page (Optional)			
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